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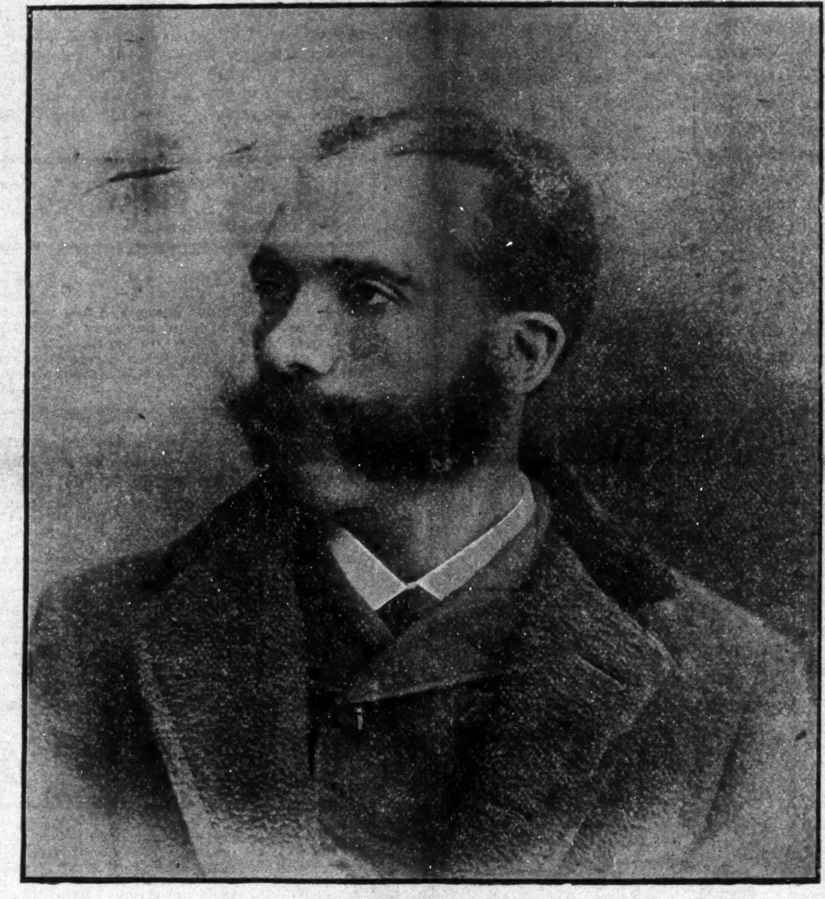

REV. JAMES A. DENNIS,
A Prominent Divine of Waco, Tex. See Sketch, Fifth page.

A CONGRESS IN COUNTERFEIT

BUT FULL OF PROFIT AND AMUSEMENT, NEVERTHELESS.

RECORDER TAYLOR AN IDEAL SPEAKER

Rev. J. M. Henderson, of New York, on "The New Negro"—A "Charcoal Sketch" of the Fearless Young Divine—Printing Office Complication at an End—Washington Y. M. C. A. in the Swim—Mrs. Lillian Thomas-Fox's Case—An Inquiry Concerning Col. Knox—Pertinent Points.

Washington, D. C., Special.

The talk of the town is the newly organized Mock Congress, whose sessions are being held every Monday evening in the Gymnasium hall of the Y. M. C. A., under the patronage of that highly useful body. The attendance continues to test the capacity of the place, and as an educator upon current questions, parliamentary procedure, readiness of thought and effective oratory, the Congress is confessedly the best institution Washington has ever had. At the opening meeting, the Hon. C. H. J. Taylor was elected Speaker by an overwhelming majority, defeating Prof. George W Cook, of Howard University. Out of 261 votes cast, Col. Taylor received 208. The new Speaker has made a pronounced "hit," and his dignified bearing in the chair, the thorough equipment for the duties devolving upon the office, his superior training in statecraft, all demonstrate the wisdom of his selection. He has from the outset, evinced an active interest in the welfare of this branch of the Y. M. C. A. work, and to his suggestions is due a large measure of the success attained. The Y. M. C. A. embraces the best brain and culture of a city of high intellectual standing, and it stands foremost among Afro-American organizations of its kind in the country. Excellent as its purposes are, it has had a stern struggle for existence, and to secure the funds absolutely necessary, has taxed the ingenuity of its members to the utmost. Col. Taylor's enterprise has brought into active co-operation with the Association a numerous class who have not heretofero been attracted, and the result is extremely gratifying to all who wish the institution well. The Y. M. C. A. is to be congratulated upon the new life that has been infused into its veins, and the energetic Recorder cannot be too highly complimented upon the remarkable success of his very meritorious movement.

A WORD ABOUT THE WORK OF CONGRESS.

The work of this Congress follows the rules, methods and measures of the genuine article, as far as is practicable. Each of the forty-five states are represented, and each territory has a delegate. Bills bearing upon the "Monroe Doctrine" and the Venezuelan boundary question, belligerent rights of Cuban patriots, Blair educational scheme, the labor problem, suffrage for the District of Columbia, to prevent lynching, to investigate the affair of Howard University, to ameliorate the condition of the Indian, for free coinage of silver at the 16 to 1 ratio, to authorize the salo of bonds, to appropriate funds for the deportation of Negroes to Africa, to regulate the salaries of clerks in post-offices, are all on the calandar, and are being discussed as rapidly as they are reached. He who runs can perceive the value of a season's study on these lines, and the benefit derived from sharp discussion of points under strict parliamentary rules. The principal committees of the House are employed to examine and report on measures, and the chairmen conduct themselves with as much gravity as their illustrious counterparts in the south end of the Capitol. Some of the leading members, together with the states they represent, and the committee chairmanships they hold, are as follows: Committee on ways and means, E. M. Hewlett, representing Massachusetts; foreign relation, Robert H. Ferrell, Maine; judiciary, R. W. Thompson, New York; elections, H. T. Menard, Indiana; education, J. W. Cromwell, Nevada; printing, E. E. Cooper, Ohio; banking and currency, L. W. Hershaw, Georgia; District of Columbia, S. G. Thompson, Maryland; labor, C. C. Waring, Pennsylvania; revision of laws, J. J. G. Weaver, Illinois; Indian affairs, R. S. Smith, Idaho; appropriations, D. L. Brooks, Missouri; accounts, S. J. Davidson, Kentucky; rules, Speaker Taylor, Kansas, with Thompson, of New York; Hewlett, Ferrell and Webb of Louisiana. Other conspicuous members not yet assigned to chairmanships, are Maj. C. R. Douglass, Dr. J. G. Clayton, Prof. Kelly Miller, Prof. G. W. Cook and others. Walter W. Mischeaux, of South Carolina, is clerk of the House, and Robert Merriwether, chief of pages. Washington's fine example in this matter could be profitably followed in every section of the land.

SOME FAILED TO REACH THE STANDARD.

The government printing office complication referred to in our last letter has been greatly simplified, and peace once more reigns without the Typographical union. being forced to show its hand. As many know and others do not, there is a standard of efficiency set by the office, below which no printer can fall without being recommended for dismissal, after a fair trial. Before the union could take final action on the five cases mentioned, four white and one colored, two of the white men and one colored man, Mr. W. H. Porter, of Indianapolis, failed to reach the standard, and their separation from the service followed. The two competent men were admitted, and the applications of the other three were dismissed without prejudice. As objectionable as the Negro is to the printer's union, the new civil service regulations now leave them no recourse but to admit him, if his "string" shows him equal to the situation and thoroughly competent. The friends of Mr. Porter sincerely regret his unfortunate retirement after such a commendable effort to reach the front rank of his trade. Public Printer Benedict has since reinstated another colored printer in the person of E. G. Nalls.

DR. HENDERSON'S ABLE LECTURE.

Dr. John M. Henderson, the distinguished young New York Divine, has been with us. He delivered an address Jan. 21st, before the Bethel Literary society on "The New Negro." Dr. Henderson's prolific pen has brought him prominently into notice in many sections where he is unknown personally, and aside from his universally admitted ability as a speaker and writer, a large and fashionable audience greeted him, partially through curiosity to see what manner of man he was in the flesh. No one who listened to his forty-minute paper was disappointed. The highest estimate placed upon Dr. Henderson as a man of courage of candor, of wide information and of clear perception, was in no wise shaken. On the contrary, he more than equaled the great expectations which confronted him. As a philosophical, scientific and analytical examination of the "New Negro" under the microscope of latter day investigation, his address could not be excelled. His theories were handled with masterly logic, and while many will and do dispute his conclusions, no one can deny that he is an earnest, forciable and skillful advocate of his line of thought, Space forbids a review. The lecture must be heard in its entirety to be thoroughly appreciated, and the organizations fortunate enough to secure his services, can rest assured of a rare treat. Dr. Henderson is a young man of medium height, possesses a well knit figure. His face is energetic as well as intellectual, and his highly nervous temperament is quickly apparent. His cast of countenance and complexion is of the Indian order, and he has the straight black hair and aquiline profile of that people. He wears a small mustache and just the suspicion of a "goatee" close under the lower lip. His bearing is polished. His command of language is splendid, and as an orator he is eloquent and powerful. Dr. Henderson has strong convictions upon every subject, not least in his repertoire being the A. M. E. church problem. He promises to be a striking figure in the coming General Conference.

PERTINENT POINTS.

Bishop Turner was in the city several days last week.

Hon. B. K. Bruce has gone into the real estate business.

Prof. John T. Layton is a lay delegate to the General Conference.

The Sunday clinics at Freedmen's Hospital are being largely attended.

W. H. Porter, late of the Colored American, has returned to Indianapolis.

Dr. J. T. Jenifer is being more frequently mentioned for the Bishopric.

The law and medical departments of Howard University are unusually full this year.

Washingtonians want to know what has become of "My Life as I Remember It," by Hon. G. L. Knox.

Memorial services in honor of the late Frederick Douglass are being arranged by several organizations.

St. Luke's Protestant Episcopal church is to have a new rector. He is expected on the second Sunday in February.

Thomas Brown of Indianapolis, a versatile vaudeville performer, was here last week with Isham's Octoroons. Mr. Brown's rise in the profession has been rapid, but deserved. He introduces a number of new specialties this season.

Recorder Taylor will attend the St. Louis and Chicago conventions, having already engaged quarters in both cities.

Bishops Turner and Gaines participated in the Wayman memorial services at Metropolitan A. M. E. church last Sunday.

Rev. E. A. Johnson has resigned the pastorate of Lincoln Memorial Congregational church, after four years of good service.

Lawyers C. J. Jones of Mississippi, and E. M. Hewlett of this city, recently argued a case before the United States Supreme Court.

Mrs. Rosetta E. Lawson has been appointed commissioner for the District of Columbia to collect exhibits for the Nashville Exposition.

Rev. G. W. Lee preached a strong sermon against ministerial participation on politics last Sunday evening at the Vermont avenue Baptist church.

M. V. P. James F. Needham, of Philadelphia, was tendered a grand reception on the 22nd at Odd Fellows' Hall. An eloquent address of welcome was delivered by R. H. Terrell.

Before this letter reaches the public eye the election of delegates to the St. Louis convention will have passed into history. The logic of the situation points to Col. Perry Carson, with L. M. Saunders or Andrew Gleeson as his running mate.

The outrageous ejection of Mrs. Lillian Thomas-Fox from a first-class car in Tennessee while en route to Atlanta has attracted the attention of some of the best lawyers here, all of whom agree that Mrs. Fox has a splendid cause for action against the railroad. Mrs. Fox is well-known and highly esteemed in journalistic circles, and the indignity heaped upon her is roundly condemned by the Negro press every where.

FREE LANCE.

Gone to Her Reward.

Dover, Miss., Special.

On January 22d Mrs. Charity Green, who lived near Dover, died at the age of 84 years. Many mourn her loss. Sad and lonely are the children in their silent, broken home. We will some day meet her at the beautiful gates where parting will be no more.

"'Tis hard to break the tender chords
When love has bound the heart;
'Tis hard, so hard to speak the word,
'Must we forever part?'

Dearest loved one we have laid thee in the peaceful grave's embrace,
But thy memory will be cherished till we see thy heavenly face."

Doings of the Knights of Pythias.

Philadelphia, Pa., Special.

On Thursday evening, Jan. 9th, Keystone Division No. 4, K. of P., attended an entertainment at Frankfort, Pa., given by the Minerva Social club, for the benefit of Minerva Lodge, G. U. O. of O. F. The Division, under the command of Maj. C. H. Riley, carried sixteen men and the Keystone Bugle Corps. On their arrival at Frankfort, were met at the depot by the Silver Leaf Drum Corps and escorted to the hall, where a large audience were present. An address of welcome was made by the Rev. J. E. Disharoon. The Division, under the command of Major Riley, gave an excellent exhibition of military tactics. At the regular monthly meeting of Pennsylvania Lodge No. 1, K. of P., the recently elected officers occupied for the first time their several positions, and performed the service of the Order to the satisfaction of quite a large number of members. The Pennsylvania Lodge recently conferred the rank of Knight on three esquises, and have four applications on the books.

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GENIUS OF REPUBLICANISM.

WHEN "HONEST ABE" WAS NOMINATED—EMBLEM

Of His Principle—Conflict of the Modern Republican Party—A Recreant to its National Trust—What it Recognizes.

The recent victory of the Republican party in several states of the Union warrant, we believe, a brief sketch of Republicanism. The Republican party was born in 1795, and up to the year 1815, it had to deal with social, religious, political and economic conditions and problems, such as have never arisen in any country. After overcoming, in a large measure, the difficulties of its infancy and youth, new conditions and problems sprang up, and in 1854 the Republican party started out as the exponent of a splendid doctrine, the doctrine given birth to in the very first lines of the Declaration of Independence, and the doctrine of the highest possible attainment of right and justice. The first Republican party looked upon militarism as a dangerous factor in the life and growth of a Republic. Jefferson had a keen perception of all the very best forms of government, and he looked upon militarism with serious apprehensions. He believed in anarchic methods. But the Republican party of Chase and Stewart said that a rebellion against a government of and for the people must be founded of and for the people, must be founded on the principle that the people are not in a condition or intellectually fit to govern themselves.

The two parties differed chiefly in the fact that the first Republican party was content if political freedom was secured to all white men. The second Republican party is not content until all men breathing the air of the republic and living under the flag, often mis-called the banner of the free, shall be perfectly free—free to labor, free to vote, free to engage in manly competition according to their several capacities. This simple method, this honest principle of the Republican party, has won to it the friendship of every man who loves his fellowmen and is willing to see the banner of liberty thrown to the breeze. The attitude of the sincere Republican is such as to call forth the admiration of both the foreign born and the native born who are in the country.

Both Republican parties favored a protective tariff, the first, mainly from a military motive because it would put our government in a position to humble that of England in the impending war; the second, chiefly from an industrial motive, because it believed that a protective tariff would maintain a higher standard of living and better wages among the American people than would otherwise prevail.

Many are inclined to regard the modern Republican party as deriving its spirit from the Federalists; this is not true. The Federalist party and the old Republican party differed widely in many respects. The Federalist party was made up of an aristocratic and haughty element, but the old Republican party finally believed in the genius and common sense of the common people. The modern Republican party is, in many respects, very different from both the Federalists and Whigs. Jefferson had more common sense than many of the men who attempted to advise him. Jefferson's theory were Democratic, but Jefferson was a Republican in this, that he believed that the majority should be heard in all questions involving the problems of government.

When honest Abe Lincoln was nominated at Chicago, and, as an emblem of his principle—one of the rails that he had split when a boy—was lifted up before the convention and cheered to the echo, the thrill of joy and gladness with which the scene was witnessed by the many thousands present, and by the many thousands absent who were in sympathy with him, was due to the fact that labor,—humbled, toilsom, awkard, ungainly, rough, ill-fed, ill-housed,—pure, free, manly labor was receiving for the first time in the world's history the homage and admiration of one political party.

It is a truth incontrovertible that the Republican party was the very first party ever founded to primarily and aggressively vindicate the rights of the laboring classes. When Mr. Lincoln was elected President of the United States, honest labor was exalted and dignified. Since the death of Mr. Lincoln every convention of Republicans held in this country has recognized the power of the laboring masses.

In the ranks of the Republican party have been found and counted the best brain this country has ever produced. For true, courageous, self-sacrificing, all-conquering heroes, the student of our political history must go through the annals of history of the Republican party.

If erudition is called, for read the life of Sumner or Evarts. If courage and tenacity are required, read the life of Cassius M. Clay or Thad. Stevens, Lovejoy and Roscoe Conklin. In wit and humor, Philips, Parker, Garrison, Hale, Frederick Douglass and Henry Ward Beecher, each would have given fame to any period in which they could have spoken.

But among all of these gallant, eloquent and noble gentlemen, none was so homely yet so wise, so awkward yet so commanding, so vulgar in the sense that he held himself aloof from the humblest citizen, yet so undefiled in the sense that he missed no opportunity to

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LANGUAGE A MODERN POWER

SHOULD BE MADE THE LEADING STUDY IN OUR SCHOOLS,

Colleges and Universities—The Key That Unlocks the Store House of Knowledge Says E. T. Denby, A. B. B. D., Waco, Tex.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

I have not written an article to your valuable paper since I left the British Columbia, but I have continued to read The Freeman with the same amount of interest, and can truthfully say this grand old race paper is still defending the helpless in church and state, and disseminating the fundamental principles of right and justice, which have made The Freeman the leading race journal in the world. The Freeman is uncompromising in her utterances for race, rights and privileges, and in her language there are no utopian ideas. But we must hasten on to the main subject which is before us.

Language, while a subject of great mportance, is one that has but little attention, and yet it is used daily by the people, and especially by the unconsidered—we do not mean by the unconsidered those who have not had the opportunity of studying the subject of language, but those who have had a course in languages, and yet fail to appreciate the great underlying principles which combine all languages into one great family, or in other words, do not decipher the affiliation existing between all languages. But this is not only true with reference to lauguages, but most subjects of a philosophical nature which call for a minute's investigation, i e., The reason why, and how these things are; why and how do they exist in such a state or relation, etc.? How few men know the history and the development of a single word they use in their lengthy dissertations, and the consequence of which they make themselves indecipherable and indubitably misunderstood. Language is the key that unlocks the store-house of information; of thought and makes the same intelligible. This is a peculiar characteristic of Revs. John G. Mitchell, A. M., D. D., LL. D., John M. Henderson, D. D., M. D., Prof. W. S. Scarborough, A. M., Ph. D., LL. D., Dr, Crumwell, Rev. E. W. Bowen, D. D., Ph. D, Prof. H. T. Kealing, A. M., Wm. Tunnell, A. M, S. T. B. Language is not a natural gift to mankind, but artificial; the theory of language is a linguistic theory of evolution. This, no sensible scholar would attempt to deny, which is observable in the speech of children until they are at least nine or ten years of age—we came to speak by a process of evolution.

The reason why men cannot comprehend the language of (the) lower animals, is because man is more adapted to the higher laws of evolution than they, in this particular, and therefore, has developed more rapidly in the artificial science of language than they, hence has lost his original speech. In the first ages of creation there are sufficient scientific evidences which lead us to believe that man and beast had frequent communications—that is, man could understand the natural language of the beast, and the beast the natural language of man—man by allowing his natural language to become obsolete and dormant, has cut himself off largely from the lower animal kingdom and has lost thereby, valuable information which he is now struggling in the dark to obtain. A dog can understand the natural language of man but not the artificial—well, yes, some can understand a few artificial words; speak to the trusty old watch dog and by the expressions of the face, the nodding of the head, the motion of the hands, the lower limbs, by the look of the eyes and he will readily understand you, why? Because you speak to him in natural language, and as with the dog, so with all domestic brutes.

The study of language should be the leading study in our public schools, colleges and universities from the fact that the knowledge of language is the comprehension of advance thought. All who take advance courses should not be satisfied with nothing less than a comprehensive knowledge of the history and development of the English language at least. This is a peculiar feature, I am glad to say, of Howard University, to give her students a thorough idea of their vernacular. The man of language has the key that unlocks the door of every branch of knowledge.

Take an individual who has studied he history and philosophy of language, the history and philosophical development of words, the depth and height of thought therein contained, the minuteness, delicacy and nicety of distinction in synonyms, and he is the man that can master ideas of advance thinkers.

Language is the great modern wonder which leads us into the great world of letters, the great field of thought, into the awful and mysterious presence of the world—ground, without which (since we have lost the original) we would be in a most peculiar and unimaginable condition.

"A language will often be wiser, not merely than the vulgar, but even than the wisest of those who speak it. Being like amber in its efficacy to circulate the electric spirit of truth, it is also amber in embalming and preserving the relics of ancient wisdom, although one is not seldom puzzled to decipher its contents. Sometimes it locks up truths, which were once well known, but which, the course of ages, have passed out of sight and been forgotten. In other cases it holds the germs of truth, of which, though they were never plainly discerned, the genius of its framers caught a glimpse in a happy moment of divination. A meditative man cannot refrain from wonder, when he dips down to the deep thought lying at the root of many a metaphorical term employed for the designation of spiritual things, even of those with regard to which professing philosophers have blundered grossly, and often it would seem as though rays of truth, which were still below the intellectual horizon, had dawned upon the imagination as it was looking up to heaven. Hence they who feel an inward call to teach and enlighten their fellow countrymen should consider their imperative obligation to draw out the rich and wholesome thoughts which are already latent in their native language to purify it from the corruption which time brings upon all things, and from which language has no exemption, and to endeavor to give distinctness and precision to whatever in it is confused, obscure, or dimly seen."—Guesses at Truth, First. P. 295.

In this quotation we have in a nutshell the principal motive of the study of language and the essentiality and necessity of careful discrimination of thought in language, also is very forcibly stated the imperative duty of the teacher of language to draw of the rich and wholesome ideas which are very crude in the pupil's native language. The language of mankind is made or manufactured or involuted and that by a law of necessity, and as one has well said: "He makes it like the bee makes its cells, as the bird its nest;" it is impossible for him to do otherwise. This idea is beautifully presented by Renan in his "Origin of Language and History of Language (Semetic) p. 445." Without doubt languages are so organized that subjects have a gradual law of development. In sustaining this, the early primitive language possessed these neccessary elements to integrity or growth. We are far from saying that the influences or devices (?) of a more advanced age have reached their highest point of power.

Time alone and the progress of the human mind would be able to open an insight into this dark and obscure synthise and assign to each element its particular part or place. There was no life in it—especially on account of the conditions of the primitive germ of the distribution of the parts or office of the elements of language and the division of its clauses, or subordinate elements; moreover these elements exist, etc., etc.

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Church News.

Hope, Ark., Special.

The preachers met at the Baptist church. In union there is strength. Rev. Y. R. Reeves, president. Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. J. E. McDade. House called to order by the president. Invitations were extended to those who want to become members. Rev. W. M. Joiner, pastor of Mineral Springs A. M. E. church. Rev J. C. McCoy, pastor of the First Baptist church at Fulton, discussed the "Divinity of Christ." Appropriate remarks were made by Revs. McDade, S. Thompson, M. H. Foster, John Taylor, J. D. Dennis and W. H. Joiner. H. R. Scott read a paper on "The Unity of Christ and the Arian Ideas." J. C. McCoy was signed to write a paper on law gospel. Rev. J. D. Dennis, the pastor of the A. M. E. church, preached a wonderful sermon Sunday night. Rev. Dennis is a good preacher. He is a christian gentleman, wide-awake and full of life. Rev J. R. Reeves, the Baptist pastor, preached a good sermon Sunday night. Elder Reeves is a young man, and a christian gentleman, doing a good work. Rev McDade is still progressing with his church work. Rev Foster, of the M. E. church, is getting ready to leave for conference. Rev. Phillips preached an able sermon Tuesday night at the M. E. church. Rev. T. S. Sanderfer, the silver tongued orator of Prescott, was in the city on a flying trip Rev. T. S. Sanderfer is among the best speakers in Arkansas. Rev. W. M. Smith has been ill. Many people were out to hear S. Collins preach Thursday night. There will be a marriage in town soon.

A Chance to Make Money.

I taught school last winter, and this summer, seeing so many advertisements of dish washers, I thought I would make some money during vacation. You said in your paper the Rapid Dish Washer was best; So I sent to W. P. Harrison & Co., Columbus, O., the manufactures specialties for agents and got one, asked the neighbors in and washed the dinner dishes so quick and nice, everyone present bought one. I made this week, $62.00, and that is a good deal better than school teaching; So I am going to sell dish washers this winter. Other teachers would be glad to have this hint. DAISY HENRY.

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HEROISM OF A CONVICT.

PARDONED BY THE GOVERNOR BECAUSE OF HIS CONDUCT.

Risked His Life to Save Other Men—He was Afraid of Nothing on the Face of the Earth.

Sam Tilman, the Negro convict in the Dade county mines, Tennessee, a brief mention of whose pardon for heroism was made several days ago, seems to have been a subject most fit for executive clemency, says the Chattanooga News. Tilman was sent to the penitentiary fifteen years ago for the murder of a man in Burke county. He went to the coal mines in Dade county, and for all the long years that have passed since then he has worked faithfully at his task, and has won the good opinion of all the officials at the camp.

In October last Neal Smith, charged with assaulting a young white woman, took refuge in the stockade. A mob of infuriated men, armed to the teeth, demanded that the Negro be delivered up to them to be killed. The guards at the camp were completly demoralized, and left Superintendent Cox powerless to handle the convicts. Neal Smith was dragged out, the gates were left open and a rush was made by the prisoners to gain their freedom. Sam Tilman, serving a life sentence, snatched a pickax from the ground, and leaping into the open gates told the prisoners that he would kill the first man who attempted to pass. Tilman is a very large man, and has the reputation of being a very determined one, and none of the prisoners dared to attempt the passage. He held the gates until the guards had been rallied, and the convicts had been locked in their cells.

In November Tilman gave another proof of his heroism. The convicts who work in the mines are unattended by any official except two mine surveyors, who measure off the tasks that are to be done. One afternoon in November as the surveyors were leaving the mines they were attacked by the convicts. One of them was knocked senseless with a billy loaded with iron but the other made his escape. Capt. Cox tried to get the guards to go down into the mines with him to quell the mutiny, but not a single one would go. Sam Tilman grabbed a big stick, and was the first to volunteer. Another Negro followed his example, and, accompanied by these two convicts, Capt. Cox went down into the deep mines and succeeded in rescuing the wounded surveyor and in getting the mutineers to throw down their arms—rude guns made from gas pipes and knives ground from files and shovels—and come back to the camp. Had it not been for the invasions of the mines by the superintendent and his little guard, loss of life might have resulted, but as it was no one was killed.

Press Day at the Ice Palace.

Leadville, Col., Special.

Mrs I. T. Hedspath is seriously ill. Quarterly meeting was conducted by Rev. P. E. Hubbard at the A. M. E. church on the 19th. Willis Warrion died at the county hospital on the 17th, ult., and was buried by the G. A. R. the 20th. Press Day at the Ice Palace on the 15th, far surpassed every expectation. Every place was crowded. Mrs. Geo. Contee and Mrs. Langhorn, of Denver, returned to their homes on the 16th, ult., after a pleasant sojourn in our city. Mrs. Geo. Milligan, of Denver, is the guest of Mrs. J. W. Young. Mrs. Eva Lamar, of Denver, took a look at the Ice Palace on the 15th, ult. Mr. Thomas went to Cripple Creek on the 18th, and from thence he will go to Denver. Mrs. Wm Deveny has returned from Grand Junction. Mrs. B. C. Chinn is on the sick list. Mrs. Mamie Jones, of Denver, took in Press day, and was the guest of her mother, Mrs. J. W. Young. The 20th was Aspen day at the Ice Palace, and great crowds were greeted by the Leadville delegation at the two depots, and marched to music to the Ice Palace. Mrs. Anderson, of Denver, who is the guest of Mrs. I. I. Hedspath, is on the sick list. Mr. Woodson, of Durango, is in the city. H. E. Everett has recovered from the lagrippe. A. J. Young has lost the janitorship of the court house, through the influence of the Populist. J. W. Young is on the sick list.

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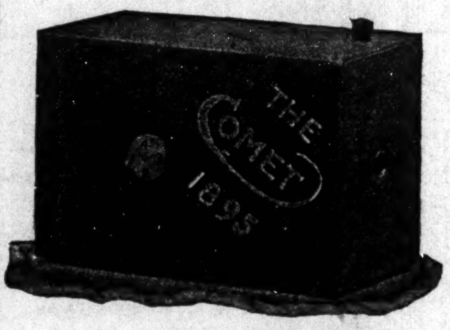
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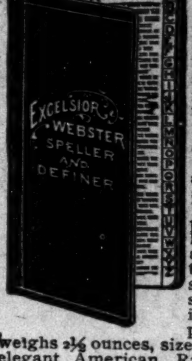
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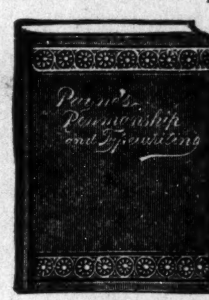

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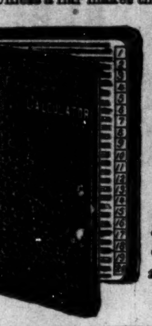
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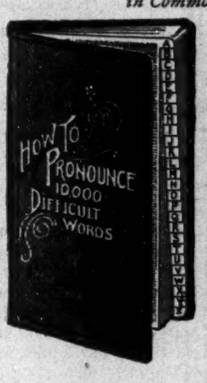
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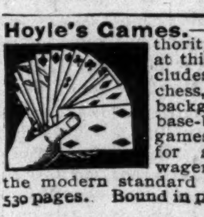
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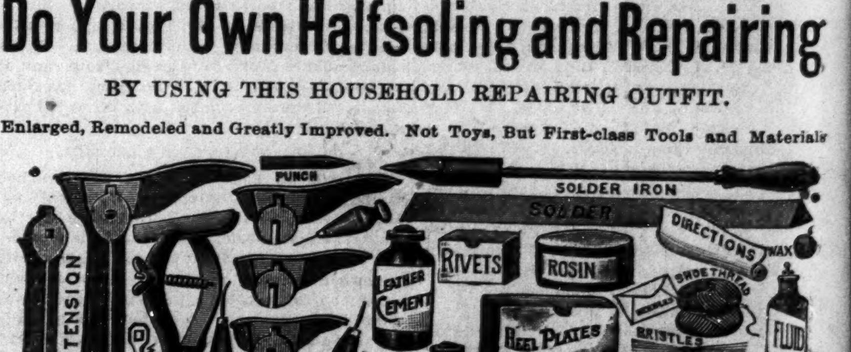

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CHAPTER XXII.

MAUD CLIFFORD FOILS THE MATRIMONIAL PLOT.

> "Warned by the sylph—Oh pious maid beware!
> This to disclose is all thy guardian can.
> Beware of all, but most beware of man."
> —Egone.

CLARK continued to receive letters as of yore and Hardy continued to answer the same for over two months until one night in the latter part of March when Clark visited New York City. He was taken with a desire to visit one of the "private dancing classes" down town where women of Maud Clifford's order could be found. "I'll just run in to the North Star Club a minute to see who is there." It was only a minute, but a costly one for him. He walked up to the bar of the "North Star Social Club" (which was only a dance hall wearing a mask) and purchased a drink and a cigar, looked about the hall and walked out. Maud Clifford, who belonged to one of the "dancing classes" saw him and followed him out, tracking him to the swell Virginia League up town. After waiting outside for him until she was tired she sent in a boy to "tell Mr. Joe Clark that there is a lady outside who wants to speak to him just a half minute." Clark walked out wondering who it was. When he saw the Clifford woman he started to run back.

"You Joe Clark, don't you run from me; come here I want to speak to you upon important business. If you go back in that house I'll ring the bell and make a show of you. Yes, by—— I'll show you up. Come here, old nigger! I know you want to shake me, but you can't do it my boy as long as you stay within one hundred miles of New York."

Clark reflected for a few seconds and then walked slowly down the stoop.

"What the h—l do you want?" he asked.

"Well, now that's a nice way to speak to me aint it? Well, I'll let you know before we part what I want."

"Do you want some money?" asked Clark pulling out a roll of bills.

"No, I don't want money; I've got plenty of money; I want to speak to you around the corner; come on." Clark followed much against his will. When they reached the corner he remarked, "come Maud, talk fast, I've got to go back to the club upon important business."

"Oh d—— the club—I want to talk to you. Let's go to Highten's and have one of them old time wine suppers," she said, smiling one of her best smiles. But her smiles had lost their charms for Clark. He gave her a cold look and remarked it costs like the devil at Highten's; let's go to some other place."

"I'm going to pay for it, Mr. Nigger, so don't drop dead. I only want to talk to you, and then perhaps I'll not bother you any more, as I hear you are moving in high-toned society and are engaged to be married to a school teacher, so come on."

They took a Sixth avenue car down town and entered Highten's chop and oyster house. The first thing the Clifford woman did was to order a "small bottle," knowing full well if Clark started upon wine he would soon loose his head and then she could pick him and cross-examine him, her object being revenge, pure and simple. She remembered the conversation she had overheard at South Beach and resolved to find out Martha's name and address, and write her about Clark telling her that he kept company with fast women, that she was his "lady friend," and would not let him marry any one.

After they had finished the bottle she said in a loud voice:

"I suppose I'll have to pay for this; say waiter how much?"

"Did you ever have to pay for anything when you were with me? I guess not, and being this is the last time, you'll not pay for anything now. Say, waiter, give us another small bottle."

"Say, let's go into one of the private dining rooms; you are so high-toned now, some of your lady friends might pass by and see you with me."

She led the way in to one of the private rooms where they had several bottles of wine. Clark drinking his and she pouring the greater part of hers in the slop jar under the table. He at last got talkative.

"Don't have no hard feelings, Maud, but I am done with fast life. I might as well tell you now—this is the last time you'll ever get me in here. I move in first class bon ton society here and in Virginia and am going to marry a lady and—"

"Why you'r in luck, but who'd believe you. I would not unless you showed me some of her letters. I don't blame you; I'm going to get married myself, and that's what I wanted to see you about, to tell you. Now I don't mind showing you the love letters from my fellow, and hope that you'll show me some from your girl if you have any about you, if not, tell me her full name, where she lives and all about her. Is she good looking, Joe? Drink up your wine. Here, look at these love letters of mine."

She knew that he could not read, so she handed him several old notes and letters. Clark took them and spelled out a few words his "education" recalled and gave them back.

"They are O. K., Maud."

"Now where's yours, Joe?" asked the artful Clifford woman.

"Here they are, but don't lose them, because I had trouble not long ago showing them to a sucker who tried to throw me down, but it's O. K. now."

She was sitting upon the opposite side of the table. He reached across to her three letters, two from Martha and one from Hardy for him to forward to Beaconsville. As quick as a cat the Clifford woman took the letters out of their envelopes and put in several notes of her own, keeping Hardy's printed business envelope.

"They are alright, Joe; put them in your pocket before you lose them and let's go; I must be getting home."

"Are they all there? Let's have another small bottle, Maud, for the last time forever?"

"Yes, yes, they are all there—put them in your pocket; I don't want any more wine—I must go;" and she started out. She excused herself, left him on the street and hurried to her room. She locked the door and read and reread the three letters. At last she went over to her table and taking out pen, paper and ink remarked as she started to write. "Well, old nigger, if that woman marries you after she reads my letter she's a d—— fool, that's all I've got to say."

Maud Clifford had more than what is known in the North "a common school education." She was a native of Newberg, N. Y., and had enjoyed high school opportunities. She was the "black sheep" of an old and highly respected Afro-American family. It is not therefore surprising that she wrote the following:

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"Miss Wright:—When you receive this letter, as the envelope is in same hand as many others you have received, you will say, 'what a fine long letter my Joe has written,' but—when you open it you will find a surprise. Not only will you find a letter from 'your own dear Joseph,' written by his friend Andrew M. Hardy of B——, Conn., but one from an unknown woman. I will be pointed; I am, Miss Wright, a woman of the town, or what I hope you will call me after you read this, a fallen sister, as this is written in a semi-sisterly spirit though mostly through revenge. You have been writing to a man named Joseph Clark; you are engaged to marry him. He is not the right man for you for many reasons, some few of them I will tell you: In the first place he keeps company with women of every class, and while I think myself as good as any woman in the world, I know you and others of my sex have a different opinion. Clark has been keeping company or 'going' with me for a number of years until he met you and I confess that it is mostly jealous revenge that prompts me to write this letter. It is not all revenge, for way down in my heart there is a sisterly feeling that tells me that a refined and educated lady about to wed an ignorant sporting man who can neither read or write should be warned of her fate.

"Miss Wright, my unknown lady, you have been duped and fooled. Clark can not read or write. His 'love' letters have all been written it seems not at P——, N. Y., by himself, but in B——, Conn., by Hardy who seems to be his secretary, and then sent to P—— and mailed there.

"Now I have great influence over Clark; he has been for months trying to shun me, but to-day when I got my eyes on him I had him again in my power so much so he has spent the greater part of the day in my company in a house no engaged man should enter. It was in this house while under my influence and that of strong drink that he carelessly threw his coat over a chair and your letters fell out with the answer to one of them written by his friend. I enclose them all to you, so you can use them as proofs against this liar. I hate him since last summer when I overheard him talking with this same letter-writer about me at the sea-side. Since then I have been trying to see him and pick out of him where you were and who you were. He successfully kept out of my way until to-day when I got my old influence over him. Now to prove what I say is true (if not in good faith) get some one in some town near by to write a private or business letter to Mr. Andrew M. Hardy and see if the reply will not come back in the hand-writing of your 'dear Joseph.'

"If you escape the fate that now awaits you and wish to offer up a prayer for a 'fallen sister,' why do so; if it will not do me any good, 'twill do me no harm. Should you on the other hand treat this word of warning lightly and marry Clark I will make him be untrue to you as I have more influence over him than any other woman ever will have. I don't want him, and heaven knows you do not or at least should not want a man, I do not. Whatever you do in the future, remember I have warned you and lifted Clark's mask. Maud Clifford."

Martha read the letters. It was all too true to be a joke or a test; there were the two letters she had written to Clark; there was the reply to one starting off with "My dear Martha," and there was the envelope in the same hand-writing directed to "Mr. Joseph Clark, Howard House, P——, Westchester Co., N. Y." In the upper corner of this envelope was printed "If not called for in ten days return to Andrew M. Hardy, dry goods and notions, East Main street, B——, Conn.," and there was the Clifford woman's frank, unpolished letter. Martha dictated a business letter to one of her advanced pupils and had him to direct it to Hardy and mail it in C——, seven miles away. The sender got an answer by return mail from Andrew Hardy. It was carried to Martha Wright who was now convinced of the fraud. She at once bundled up all the books, papers and other presents she had received from Hardy and Clark and sent them to B——, Conn. They were followed by this letter:

"Beaconsville, Va., April 10, 1895.

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Enclosed with this note was the letter the Clifford woman had written, together with those she sent, a copy of the decoy letter to Hardy and his reply. His face at first bore a puzzled look, then a guilty one. At last he found words to say to himself, "well, I am glad it's all over; thank heavens! we are to the end of the chapter. The foolish proxy courtship is over. Joe was a fool, and I a ten times bigger one for undertaking the carrying out of the plot. I'll send him word, however." He telegraphed to Clark:

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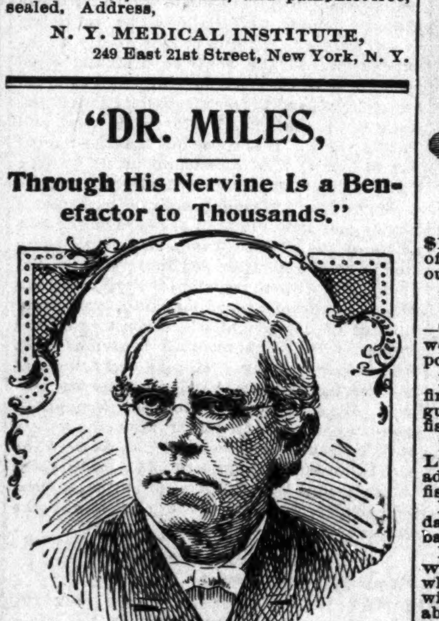

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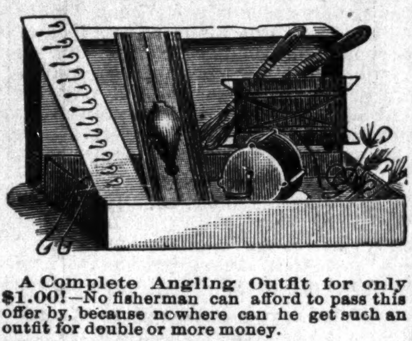

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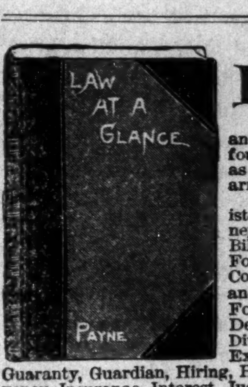

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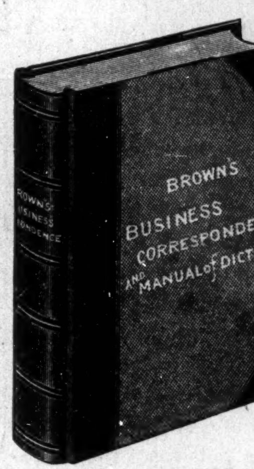

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FEDERAL AUTHORITY.

Congressman Corliss has presented in the House a memorial from the national confederation of colored men of the United States, depicting the humiliating condition of the colored citizens in certain states, and asking Congress for its co-operation in securing perfect equality to all citizens under the constitution of the United States. The memorial was prepared by Hon. D. Augustus Straker, president, and Rev. James M. Henderson, secretary, both of Detroit.

The wisdom of seeking aid from the general government is likely to be doubted. It seems a matter that rests entirely within the jurisdiction of the states. South Carolina has acted upon this theory and has passed an anti-lynching bill. This is a long stride for the Negroes of that state. However, the bill is not remedial in tendency. It simply awards the victimized families, which of course, is of great moment, and doubtless will act as a deterrent on outrages of this kind. One question yet remains: Will the courts be obstructed? Such a question should not be asked of justice, yet justice has been known to loose her bandage. It is best, however, to cross the bridge when it is approached. The Negroes will wait, hoping that this state may rise equal to the emergency. This question clearly belongs to the states for settlement. Federal intervention will be considered a federal menace to the state's prerogatives. Unhappily it is thus. Yet if the states are importuned the same results will obtain as in South Carolina. Why not head these petitions that way? These eminent authors of memorials are certainly aware of the existing conditions. Should the government take the matter in hand, what then? To lynch is simply to murder. The fact that many persons commit the murder, makes it no more than murder. These things are ajudicated in the courts of the state. The constitution makes no provision for bringing murders to justice but allows the states, to their own way of thinking, do this. Every murderer may and many do go Scott free on account of his ability to elude the argus-eyed officers of the law. The case is identical with the subject in hand. Numbers simply magnify the offense, from a moral standpoint. To change the constitution could be the only excuse for bombarding Congress with petitions relative to the situation. If it is to create sympathy it is still a question as to the result. By all means petition the states from governors down and the work will tell.

THE LEGISLATURE.

Ohio has three colored men in her legislature. Indiana for first one season and then another has had no representatives since Hinton and Townsend were members of that body. The spell will doubtless be broken this year. There are candidates galore, even now, and their friends are determined the thing shall not go by default. Candidates and rumors of candidates—some of long standing, grim warriors of a hundred campaigns, some new fledglings, spurless, some sober, respectable, dignified, passive, but all are candidates with eyes turned toward the Mecca. Many names are to be thought of for an office that reflects credit on the race as well as the whole people who must be served.

There are a number of men who are always to be considered in this connection. Among the older citizens: Dr. S. A. Elbert, Geo. L. Knox, Robt. B. Bagby, W. T. Floyd, Rev. T. W. Henderson, Rev. L. M. Hagood and Chas. A. Webb. Among the younger men might be mentioned G. L. Jones, Julius Cox, Wm. M. Lewis, Dr. Sumner Furniss and Jacob Porter. While all of these persons are in no position to serve, yet it is safe to say the names mentioned will meet with general approval. The ability of the majority of them is known.

ANOTHER MISTAKE.

"THE National Federation of colored men, recently put on foot at Detroit, has appointed a committee to go to St Louis to the National Republican Convention and urge the necessity of placing a plank in the party platform denouncing the lynching of colored people. An exchange suggests that the committee should go to the Democratic convention, as the delegates to the latter will be more familiar with the subject. There is as much truth as humor in the latter suggestion. But we question the wisdom of seeking to make lynching a political issue. A platform expression will have very little weight, except as a subterfuge, to draw black men's vote, and as an irritant to the adherents of an opposing party. Political parties in the United States are not sincere champions of such causes. A reformation of existing conditions depends upon a moral crusade among all the people, and the less politics there is in it, the faster will matters improve. There is no chance of forcing a solution of the question through politics. The federation committee would do better to remain at home."—The Statesman-Exponent.

Sir Edwin, you are a little strong but right in the main, as THE FREEMAN thinks. It is much better to importune a convention where there is no legislative power than to seek aid in channels where non-action would be ultra-reflective.

There is no binding power in conventions further than one of political morals. At best it is simply the creation of sentiment. It need not be a matter of humor to besiege the Democratic convention in the same manner. If these rabid Southern States, so-called, can pass anti-lynching bills it is not too much to expect it off a Democratic convention. It is altogether likely that the Democrats will be found inserting some such article in their own platform. They will, doubtless, do this if the Repulicans should. As THE FREEMAN has said before it would be an irritant to seek onesided political aid in a question of such magnitude. Why not address the Democratic convention also?

J. C. ADAMS, in the Colored Statesman, puts forth some plain truths relative to the Negro problem. He says:

"They must secure and own more capital; go in business and help to rule the market and commercial world. But he cannot do it as long as he tries and and continues to keep up with the London and New York style of dress. If he would adopt a style of his own and deposit more money in banks, etc. he would be far more benefitted. If we (the young Negro) would adopt a style of his own, say two $10 suits a year, and by doing so own and control business enterprises, we (not we, but you, as I hardly get that now, because I am not able) would be more highly respected, as long as the Negro lie still and allow it he will be walked on. How long are we to travel via. the alley, arrive at the back gate and enter in the kitchen? Shall the Negro forever tolerate his injustice? I, for one, believe he can get more justice if his race will demand it. Notice the Jew, the Chinaman and every other nationality how they get justice and climb the latter of wealth. Our race will never be what it should without more wealth."

Mr. Adams is right. If Negroes continue to dress as bank presidents it is a sure sign of an empty exchequer. Money is the panacea for the salvation of the American Negro. He must take the place of the Jews and make his way by sheer force.

"EX-CONSUL JOHN L. WALLER languishes in a French prison while this government is snarling over the Monroe Doctrine. It can protect property but not human life."—Richmond Planet.

It perhaps can protect life, but it depends largely upon who it is.

THE ASHANTEE WAR.

It is said that the Ashantee's were overcome by a liberal display of fire works of the Fourth of July order in their late war with the British. Ordinary fire-arms had no terror for them, but when confronted by bombs with the unearthly shrieks in the air, sky-rockets, and blue fire, they could not contain themselves, but fled in every direction. It is said King Prempeh's soldiers thought the devil was after them. This mode of war-fare on these untutored blacks who are not schooled in the latest sciences is certainly questionable.

It is just as degrading as the Indian ambush, which was so detested. The poor devils expected to meet men, not hobgobblins, spooks or gnomes. They should have been given a white man's chance. Gold, gold, is at the bottom of all this. The case is similar to the one in Venezuela. So long as there was no gold, savage butchery committeed on savages was alright; as soon as gold was discovered it was all wrong. Europe is laughing at the modus operandi of the blacks. On calm reflection it is not quite a laughing matter. The Bible will be the next installment of virtues that go. Skepticism will be hard to down in face of such performances.

THE POLITICAL SITUATION.

In this city the political cauldron has begun to bubble. A briskness on the face of such affairs is plainly discernible. The Republicans have high hopes this year, and with much reason in their favor. There is no reason why the Negro should not look up with his party. It is true the court house teem with black faces, and thanks to the ballot, yet there is no guage or limitations to these things. He should be a part and parcel of every movement of his party.

JOHN K. GOWDY will again lead the Republican hosts to victory as chairman of the Republican State Central Committe. Gowdy's splendid achievements in the past made him a formidable candidate for his old position. Nebeker recognized this before it was too late and gave away to the daughty capitan, making his selection practially unanimous.

THE COLORADO STATESMAN, in commenting on an article written by Richard S. Watson, appearing in THE FREEMAN on the 4th says:

"The above article coming as it does from the pen of a mere boy is well worthy of the persusal of every man, woman and child identified with the Negro race and should instill within us new zeal and greater determinations to place ourselves on par with other great races of the civilized world in journalism as well as in other pursuits. It is acknowledged by thousands that Negro journals are doing much toward advancing the interests of their race from a business standpoint and are to some extent, in many communities, instrumental in bringing about that unity of thought and action which is so essential to our future prosperity. We admit that many colored papers are not what they should be, which is due alone to the lack of patronage on the part of the colored people. If it were possible to induce our people to subscribe and pay for colored papers even to the extent that they patronize white papers, their standard could be raised fifty per cent.

"NOT one Negro has been lynched as yet in the year '96; let us hope that tardy justice has begun to assert herself and that Negro justice will no more be a mockery."—St. Joseph Mirror

Dear boys, you have not been reading carefully. We have had several—quite up to date.

THE faculty and students of the University of Michigan, has invited Booker T. Washington to deliver an address before the Oratorical Association; the association that Chauncy M. Depew addressed last year.

MISS BALFOUR says, in her book, that she saw in Dr. Jameson the hardest-working man in South Africa, a firm ruler and human reclaimer of the native race.

"IF the Negro would stop raising the devil and raise his bank account he would be much in demand."—St. Joseph Mirror.

There you be.

HARRISON has been nominated in the East and will be duly elected and installed about May 1st. Term of office—depending good behavior.

THE Negro press of the South is for McKinley, as a rule.

ASK for the plank in the Republican platform; 'twon't hurt anybody.

JUDGE LYNCH must go; it is in the air.

GENIUS OF REPUBLICANISM.

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help the oppressed, as that noble and fearless soul whose name shall ever shine with increasing brilliancy, Abraham Lincoln. He was an uncompromising advocate of the rights of man. He was a sincere and truthful and fearless man.

The modern Republican party entered upon a war in which at the outset the right to defend the Nation's capital was doubted, and the right to invade a sovereign state was absolutely and emphatically denied. They emerged from it, leaving and contending and adverse faction in existence with whom it could enter into treaty, and no state in which any military resistance marred the comprehensive simplicity of the general and unconditional surrender. A political party would be a dangerous pilot unless it was dominated by sound and reasonable judgment concerning the chief instrument of exchange and payment. Sound judgments concerning money are the product only of a deversified industry, a high civilization, and an intense and complex social activity. Instead of snatching a treaty of peace from the embers of its ruined ally's fortunes, the Republican party securely bade its defeated foe take part with it in embodying in the form of amendments to the fundamental law, its doctrine that man can have no property in man, that the right of a servant to his wages is a national right, and that the Republic which was once half slave and half free, shall henceforth and forever be entirely free.

The latter and subsequent conflicts of the modern Republican party have been the logical deductions of its stand for free labor, which implies that so far as international competition takes the form of a foreign warfare on our domestic industries, the latter shall be as vigorously protected as our lands and firesides would be if the assault were made on them. This means, of course, a strong and aggressive tariff policy—a policy which will not merely defend every existing American industry whose prosperity may be endangered by foreign competition, but will transfer into our midst from its present foreign habit every industry for the economic conduct of which we have within the United States the natural facilities, and lack only the artifical conditions. Free labor also implies that money, including not merely coined money, but all the means of payment, shall be abundant and as free from fluctuations in value, and disappointments in quality, as the mutability of all human affairs permits. Money is the one great instrument of association among men, and it is the most important commedity with which wages must be paid, and whereby the transition of man from slavery to freedom is practically expressed.

Money, fortunately, is not the only instrument of association among men. It is the instrument only so far as men co-operate or exchange with each other in relation of buyer and seller, borrower and lender, employer and employee. Before and above these relations are the non-mercenary relations of the family, the church, the state, literature, the press, and every association wherein men are drawn together for purposes other than gain, and where in the motive is social, religious or intellectual. Even to the maintenance of all these, money has become an indispensable adjunct.

The Republican party recognizes with deep and undiminished concern that not withstanding the compulsory abolition of slavery, the section of our common country which was subjected to this great change continues to be dominated by the assumptions and ideas which made the event in question one of military force. There is still a practical suppression of the rights of political discussion, of the suffrage, and even of the right of colored men to live after they have been appointed to office by the Federal Government. Along with this political medievalism there is an obstrusion of the brute force of mobs, gangs and assassins in place of the due administration of justice, and a substitution of assassination for argument, as a means of influencing public opinion, which involves great loss of innocent lives and suppression of honest opinion, and is a burning disgrace and shame to American civilization.

It is not merely the colored race, or the Republican party, or immigrants from the North, or investing capitalists who suffer by this determination in influential classes in the Southern States to preserve all the semi-barbaric concomitants of slavery after slavery has been abolished—to maintain by brute force and private crime and aristocratic acendancy of men of one color, or of one political type after the fortunes of war and the language of the fundamental law have combined to declare that all men are in their political rights free and equal without distinction of race, color or previous condition of servitude. Industrially, socially and intellectually, the Southern people, at the average, are detained in their progress toward wealth, culture and security, by these adverse influences, fully a century behind their Northern competitors in the march of progress.

The Republican party would be recreant to its national trust, if it should fail to recognize these tendencies, or if it allowed its zeal to flag or its courage to falter in proper efforts to ensure throughout the South as profound a respect for political freedom, and as great a security to life and to free discussion, as are enjoyed in the Eastern, Northern, Central and Pacific States. It is conscious that the Sacred Ark of Liberty is in the keeping of its moving host. In spite of this, the clank of slavery's chain, or the expiring groan of barbarism's victim, may now and then be heard on the outskirts of the divided camp. But with every step forward each attemped subversion of human rights will arouse with clearer vigor the indignant conscience of mankind, and every violator of his neighbor's claim to political equality will skulk toward his conscious theft with deeper loathing and bear away his impoverishing plunder with more faltering purpose. We shall not ask that the Republican party be continued in power after the purity of its purposes, the wisdom of its plans or the cool balance of its judgment shall have spent their virtuous force. But while these endure, woe, indeed, be ours if we preach not the gospel of the grand old party.

Many Sick—Personals.

Memphis, Tenn., Special.

Miss Lizzie Ross has been sick for several weeks. Mrs. Ellis Brown, of Simmons avenue, is sick. Rev. Charles Lane, P. E., of the C. M. E. Church, Memphis district was in the city Sunday, the 19th. Mrs. W. D. Kirk returned from Nashville, Tenn., where she has been to visit her daughter, Miss Mary, who is at Fisk. Mrs. Mary Lewis left on the 26th for Colorado Springs, Col., to visit her sister, Mrs. Louisa Watson. Rev. W. H. Gray and wife, of Cincinnati, O., is the guest of Mrs. J. V. H. Broughton, of Jerriet avenue Mrs. Lizzie Thomas, of Denver, Col., is in the city, the guest of her mother, Mrs. Fred Savage. The Cotrie Migratory Assembly, of this city, held high tea on the 23inst at the home of Mrs. Wm. Bently in honor of Mrs. Lizzie Homes, of Denver, and Mrs. Wm. H. Gray, of Cincinnati, O. Mrs. Wm. Young did the honors by delivering the welcome address, responded to by Mrs. Gray. Mrs. J. V. H. Broughton read an interesting paper upon the work of womens clubs. The occasion was one of the grandest affairs in the history of the Assembly. Dr. J. N. Abby has moved his office to his home, opposite the church. Dr. C. A. Terrell still holds the fort at No. 280 Second street.

Sin Killer at Galveston.

Galveston, Tex., Special.

Sin killer Griffin is in the city. The party given at the residence of Mrs. Mollie Johnson Wednesday evening, Jan. 22d, in honor of Dr. J. W. Carr, was a pleasant affair. Every young man in Galveston can afford to read the leading journal of the race once a week. Young men, show race pride, manhood and intelligence by calling at 2611 Avenue L and purchase a copy of The Freeman. The lovers of both vocal and instrumental music were well entertained Wednesday and Thursday evenings, Jan 22-23d, by the musical concert given at St Paul M. E. church, under the management of Mme. Ruchon. Both evenings the spacious building was packed from the rostrum to the doors with visitors to hear Theodore Drury, the great baritone singer. There is a social club in the east end which has an admission fee of $2.00. Read next issue of The Freeman for particulars. It must be successor to the famous old Late Hour club. Benj. Clement died very suddenly Sunday evening, Jan. 26th. The entertainment given at Mt. Olive Baptist church, Saturday evening, Jan. 25th, was quite a successful affair.

How Willie Saved The Home.

My folks live in the country and I am sixteen years old. Father was sick with the fever and the interest on the morgage was due and we did not have any money to pay it, and mother was afraid the sheriff would sell us out. I thought hard how I could help; I saw in our Advocate that the Coin Silverware Co., of Columbus, Ohio, would send a sample set of six silver plated tea spoons for eighteen two-cent stamps. I sent and got a set and sold them for 60 cents. The first day I sold ten sets and made $2.40 All our neighbors wanted to help me along and everybody I asked bought. They were so cheap and as nice as they could get in the store for $1.00 a set. The second day I could only work half a day and I sold eight sets. The first week I had raised the money for the interest and my father was very proud of me. Why won't every one buy new silver spoons for less than it would cost to have the old ones replated? I will make easy $15.00 or $20.00 every week now that I have got used to the business. These hard times there are lots of other people who are wanting to make money and this is a chance that should not be neglected. Anyone can get a sample of these silver tea spoons by directing as above. Why should anyone live in penury when they can make money as I have done?

Successful Entertainment.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

Mrs. A. R. Winter will spend a few weeks in Nashville. The entertainment gotten up and given by the pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist church, Rev. H. E. Harris, was a success; $47.50 was raised. He is a worker and well liked. He will visit his old charge in Alabama. Miss Lillie Anderson, principal of Phillip's Academy has a good number of pupils and others coming. Prof. R. P. Purdy will spend a few days in Huntsville, Ala. He is looking for a call from that city. Miss Beatrice Trail will open school at Waring Corner. W. B. Floyd spent a few days in Unionville last week. Miss Lucretia Hill took part in the exercises at Mullin's Chapel on the 19th. Bartley Morton went to see his best girl on the 26th. Miss Sallie Selie has returned from South Pittsburg. W. M. Gilliland is all smiles; we don't know its name. Prof. J. C. McAdams and father have rented their farm this year. Sherman Clabron has returned. Frank Thompson's wife is in better health now. Mrs. Mary Berkeen is on the sick list. Joe Heard spent a few hours in the city last week. Mrs. George Greer is sick. Frank Snellins will work with Louis Myers this year. Mrs. Dan Blakemore and daughters are making some very nice quilts. Rev. B. A. J. Nixon, P. E., returned from Nashville on the 22nd. Miss Parley Brown is a teacher in the Sunday school and has been teaching for twenty years. Alice Ransam of Leesburg is in the city. Harris Snelling is working with George Davis and son this year. J. B. Hisson is on the sick list. The ladies that waited on the tables at the entertainment on the 23rd looked very nice. Miss Ellen Mitchell and Rev. W. M. Stones have several boarders. Henry Mitchell was in on the 26th. Get The Freeman at W. H Gosling's store.

Poplar Bluff News.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Special.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Powers a fine girl on the 14th inst. The revival at Browns Chapel A. M. E. church is still in progress. On the sick list: Wm Sheppard, Peter Martin, Sr., J. T. Taylor, Bennie Martin and George Nelson. Miss Abbie Bostic was married on the 20th inst. The grand concert given by the S. C. Bluff City band is unparelleled. The gorgeous parade at 11:30 a. m. on the 27th, was unsurpassed.

AFFECTS EVERY ORGAN

Does that Most Dreadful of Diseases—Chronic Catarrh.

If there is a disease among all others which people fear most, and yet which is the most prevalent of all others, it is chronic catarrh. Over half the people have it in some form or another. And yet probably not a tenth of these people know that their disease is catarrh. To distinguish catarrh of various organs they have been named very differently.

One person has dyspepsia; another bronchitis; another Bright's disease, another liver complaint; another consumption; another female complaint. These people would be very much surprised to hear that they are all suffering with chronic catarrh. But it is so, nevertheless. Each one of these troubles, and a great many more, are simply catarrh—that is, chronic inflamation of the mucous lining of whichever organ is affected. These diseases are all alike in still another way: they are almost impossible to cure. Any internal remedy that will cure catarrh in one location will cure it in any other location. This is why Pe-ru-na has become so justly famous in the cure of catarrhal diseases. It cures catarrh wherever located. Its cures remain. Pe-ru-na does not palliate; it cures.

A 64-page book on catarrhal diseases and the effect Pe-ru-na has upon them will be sent free by The Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing company of Columbus, Ohio.

To Help the Waller Fund.

GEO. L. KNOX, ESQ:

Enclosed please find check for one dollar to be entered to the credit of the Waller Fund and allow me to say that every Negro in America, who has a pride in this government of ours, and who feels an interest in the future as well as the present wellfare of his race, should rally to the front and assist you in raising money for the rescue of our brother and fellow countryman, who today lounges in a dark French prison. I think the Negroes representing every State in the Union should appoint a committee to importune the President and Department of State to make further investigations, as to the nature of the charges which caused this imprisonment etc. The Freeman should be read by every Negro in America, because of the stand it takes for the race against injustice and for its educational, moral and financial development. With best wishes for you a year's smooth sailing on the journalistic sea. I subscribe myself yours for the race,

GEORGE H. BAIRD.

Russelville, Ky.

School Opening.

Decherd, Tenn., Special.

Our regular winter term of school opened the first Monday in January under Prof. T. J. Townsend. We have a flourishing school. The memorial exercises of the late Bishop Wayman, were held at the A. M. E. church last Sunday by Rev. M. G. Wright. They were quite impressive. The death of Mr Steve Woods, late of Tracy City, was quite sudden. The funeral was conducted by Rev. M. G. Wright assisted by Prof. T. J. Townsend. There have been some stirring meetings at the First Baptist church during the week under Rev. S. W. Wooden, traveling evangelist. Mrs. Henrietta Brown, Hattie M. Holland, Gertrude Smith, and W. T. Hunt are on the sick list. Miss Eliza Dorsie who has been to Winchester for three months has returned home. She is the niece of Mr. C. B. Martin Mrs. Johnie Horton, Tommie Trimble and Annie McDaniel, of Winchester, will be the guests of Mrs. M. L. Townsend Sunday. The sad news of the death of Claud Dorsie reached us to-day. He was a grand son of Henry T. Dorsie and was about fourteen years of age.

Personal Mention.

Temple, Tex., Special.

C L. Holland, the ticket agent for San Ta Fee Railroad at this point, was moved to Dallas where he will take charge of the office. Mr. Holland will be missed. Mrs. E. M. Droyton who has been sick is improved at this writing. Anderson Hall has a fine boy. Mr. Jackson and Fuller sell cheap for cash. Dr. R. E. L. Holland is going to stay in Temple. He has a good practice. Mr. Epperson says that he has a new line of groceries. Call and see him. Mrs. Epperson is a first class dressmaker. Mr. Morrison of Navesota, has moved here. He says he will read The Freeman, that it is a good paper. E. C. Anderson's baby is sick. Mrs. McRichardson and wife from Cleburne are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Anderson. They expect to make Temple their home. Mr. Richardson is a first class cook and is at work. If you want The Freeman subscribe before the first of Feb., for one dollar a year. Don't forget that you can always get The Freeman by calling on H. C. Anderson. Mr. George Wade's wife was sick last week. Mrs. Neail Tolden was called to the bed side of her father in Fort Bend county. We hope that he is better.

LOST RELATIVES.

Robert White belonged to Joe Camp, and was raised at Jonesboro, Clay county, Ga. He had three daughters, Mary, Lizzie and Hattie; two sons, Wash and James. Any one knowing of such persons will please inform

JAMES CAMP.

Clarendon, Ark.

POLITICS IN THE FALL CITY.

LOUISVILLE TO HAVE A REPUBLICAN MAYOR.

Many Applications For the Chief Janitorship of the City Hall—Will Have Colored Firemen and Policemen—High School Damaged by Fire.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

Miss Mamie E. Gillis was in the city Sunday. Mr. Chas. McGruder is quite ill. Mrs. Minnie B. Jackson, of 919 Magazine street, is very ill. The political field is again full; this time it being our colored politicians aspiring to become delegates-at-large for the state to the Republican National Convention. Since acting, Mayor King is ineligible for the office as Mayor, it is hard and not safe to state who will be elected. As it is evident that Louisville will have a Republican Mayor, quite a number of applications have been sent in for chief janitorship of the city Hall and the most prominent among the number is the application of Mr. E. W. Marshall.

It seems somewhat probably that Louisville will now have colored firemen and policemen, as a consequence many applications are on file and the new engine has just been erected in California is waiting for our brethern to be appointed for the position of the former. The colored high school was partially damaged Thursday evening Jan. 23rd by a fire of incendiary origin to an extent of $5,000 fully covered by insurance. The school has been threatened several times by the indignant white neighbors, because of the school being removed from Sixth and Kentucky to Ninth and Magazine. The school, in fact was threatened at both ends by those in the neighborhood The board feeling that the vicinity of the former place was fast becoming too popular for the colored youth to atttend the school, removed them regardless of the threats to Ninth street, which had been formerly occupied by white pupils. Fortunately a year passed without the threats being put into operation, but Thursday evening, however, they were effected. Since the building did burn we regret very much that it was not wholly destroyed, then we would have gained a new high school as the present one had already been condemned, and is one of the oldest buildings in the city. Mr. S. D. Martin, the faithful old janitor, was accused of leaving hot ashes in a closet under the boys steps But he vindicated himself by showing the superintendent marks where his ashes were in the ground, and taking him to a room in the south-west corner of the building, showed him where a window pain was cut out, the window loosened, and a two gallon coal oil can found in the hall. Thus he was exonerated. It was repaired sufficiently for the pupils to occupy this week.

The high regard in which Mr. Jessie Montgomery, the N. G. C of the U. B. F's and S.M.T's and K. F. was appropriately demonstrated Sunday afternoon at Quinn Chapel A. M. E. church. Mr. Montgomery died Wednesday morning at his late residence on Ninth street. His remains lay in state at the U. B. F. Hall Sunday morning until 12:30 p m. when they were removed to the church followed by the family, the leading representative of the several states of the K. F., K. T., U. B. F's and S. M. F's., and a host of friends. Never before upon such an occasion, had such a crowd throng the church. Rev. Robt. Seymour, the popular pastor of the Twelfth A. M. E. Zion church delivered the funeral oration. It was short, pointed, but convincing and was received with wonder and admiration. After the services at the church ended the procession, wended its way, with slow and solem tread to the cemetery where the remains were entered. The Philadelphia Club entertainment Monday evening was much a success. Mr. W.H.Hunton, international secretary of the Y. M. C A., was in the city last week and conducted a very interesting mass-meeting Sunday afternoon at the Fifth street Baptist church. A neat program was rendered and the Y. M. C. A. quartette rendered some beautiful selections Miss Ida Slaughter is very ill. The young ladies of West end have organized the New Woman's Club to give a swell leap year party very soon.

A Successful Pastor.

Rev. J. A. Dennis, the pastor of the New Hope Baptist church of this city, is undoubtedly the most successful pastor in Central Texas. He is entering upon his ninth year as pastor of this influential church. His educational advantages eminently fit him for conspicous position which he enjoys. He is now president of the Baptist Star Publishing Company of Dallas, Tex., president of the Baptist State Sunday Convention being elected the second time at the last annual convention, and a member of the Executive Board of the Baptist Missionary and Educational convention. In fact, he is closely identified with all the work of his denomination. He has spent the golden years in the school room. It is said: As a teacher he stands in the front rank, and as a preacher he is among the oldest in the State. His church, denomination, and people have unshaken confidence in him; and his influence in Waco, materially, educationally, and morally is recognized by all classes. Thirteen years of most faithful labor has been done by Rev. Dennis and yet, his usefulness is rapidly increasing. In his home he is cheerful, he is very studious and well up to the times. The Freeman has in him a friend. His people love him and he really loves his people.

WILL CELEBRATE BISHOP

Allen's Birthday — The "Grabber" Grabbed—News of Interest.

Fayettsville, Tenn., Special.

The revival at the C. P. Church is progressing with interest. The evangelist is severely critized on all sides for using such rough language, but he "will not down." "Jack, the Grabber" was arrested the other day. It was a sharp trick. The police, dressed in woman's attire and the "grabber" grabbed (her) him. The police grabbed the grabber and now "Jack, the Grabber," will stop grabbing colored cooks going to and from their work. He is a well known white man. The whites are taking much interest in the Lincoln High School project, and are donating liberally towards its permanent establishment. The following prominent colored citizens constitute the executive board of the Lincoln school: Wiley Commons, Isaac Williams, Bert Buchanan, D. D. Thompson, Alonzo Burrow, David Rhodes, Burrel Landers. Mrs. Sophia Buchanan is on the sick list, but is improving.

Programs are out announcing the celebration of Bishop Richard Allen's birthday by the A. M. E's, of this community. It takes place February 14th. There is a "young one" at the home of Rev. Dobbins. A literary society was organized Thursday night at the A. M. E. Church; Rev. J. A. Jones, president Its object is intended to benefit the students of Lincoln High School. Any respectable citizen may join. Rev. H. L. P. Jones is still "showing his teeth" because a daughter has blessed his home. Prof. James Green's school is doing well. He is one of the brightest scholars of this section. Several teachers of the county schools are attending Lincoln High School.

Mr. Willie Commons is doing good business in his new grocery. He deserves the patronage of all the colored citizens. Go there and get The Freeman. There will be a "donkey party" given at the Baptist Church to-night; Miss Mamie Hoffman manager. It promises to be an interesting affair. The Daughters of Conference, of the A. M. E. Church, expect to give a leap year social in a few days.

The Freeman a Light.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

It affords me much pleasure to speak of a paper so brilliant in appearance, whose work as so accurate and artistically arranged, and whose contents are so sympathetic and interesting as The Freeman. A paper that speaks so forceable in the interest of the colored Americans. A paper that believes in free men, free press, free speech, a glorious victory. A paper that demands, deserves, and must have the attention and patronage of the race. The Freeman is a gleam of light shining from this continent to another, an ideal medium through which we make our want and wishes known to the world.

When I was a student at old Jackson College not many years ago, The Freeman attracted my attention, and since that time, (I with a number of my friends) have been a constant patron thereof. And I do believe that every student and well-wisher of the establishment of our race should recognize such an enterprise as The Freeman, and should have a copy on their desks every week to learn what is being done among the race The Freeman calls upon the sons of the free in the field and hall, to rise as one and their heaven—born rights maintain nor let oppression chain on human limbs remain; speak and 'tis done. Hon. G. L. Knox can't be too highly commended for supporting and pushing The Freeman. His work and fame shall ever go through the ages of history and be a guidance to coming generations. In spite of the flying squadroon on tempests wings, bound for ports unknown, "Lo! Ethiopia stands and holds the balances in her hand;" her flag is of spotless white, her watch word, freedom's right to all be given, her emblem, the dove, her weapon, truth and love, her captain, God above, who rules in heaven her messenger—The Freeman.

Enclosed please find renewal fee for one year. EDWARD S. HICKS,
St. Louis, Mo.

White Caps at Work.

Dyersburg, Tenn., Special.

Dyersburg is seventy-six miles north of Memphis on the C. O. & S. W. railroad. It has a population of 3,000, 1,000 of whom are colored. About 150 colored men work at the different factories. A. A. Smith's son Tim was out bird hunting on the 20th, ult., and had an eye shot out. Eleven miles out on the Finley road, the White Caps shot a colored woman in the leg. Amputation became necessary. They have notified nine families to leave. Prof. J L. Benton is still very low. L. J. Barnds is ready to take your subscription to The Freeman, the best Negro journal in the field.

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DERRICK AND THE OUTRAGE.

THE ELOQUENT DOCTOR WRITES A STPONG LETTER DENOUNCING

The Manner in Which The Refined, Cultured and Delicate Lady Was Treated—Criticises the Press in Certain Sections for Their Contemptible Silence.

MISSION ROOMS M. E. CHURCH,
66 Bible House, New York,
January 21, 1896.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Pardon us if we feel discouragement sufficient to oppress us to the very earth, doomed as it were to contempt, drudgery and outrage, then what are our prospective positions? Can anyone be surprised at our discouragement? Children as we are of the same Almighty Being and equally accountable, both here and hereafter, as much so as any of the great human family. Yet it is an undeniable fact that we have and are the victims of a malignant and relentless crusade of butchery and all manner of indiscribable mal-treatment. These thoughts came spontaneously to our mind after reading your masterly arrgagement of the thug who, in the person of a so-called conductor had, wantonly and outrageously, maltreated one of the most refined and accomplished ladies in the land, one who is a member of the race and of whom we are proud. We write with indignation at the fiendish crime committed, one that we expect will appeal, not only to a few but to all lovers of humanity and even-handed justice. Likewise to every member of the race to which Mrs. Fox belongs. We would recommend the propriety of some immediate public expression of indignation, the contemptible silence observed on the part of some of the leading newspapers of the country goes to blot out the cherished hope we were entertaining, that the press in certain sections of the land had realized the great necessity in warning the nation of its wrong doings towards a class of citizens who can be safely and truthfully considered among the most loyal and trustworthy of the population. The crime is the most atrocious outrage of the times, especially when we consider the person on whom the atrocity has been perpetrated—a lady delicate, refined and cultured.

Such line of conduct is but a fitting tribute to the life and time of the slaveholders, the heroes of the lash, the bowie knives, shot-gun, auction blocks, and roasting carnivals. Slavery, this monster received its death blow thirty years ago, yet its bloody, murderous spirit still parades the land with unwashed hands, stained with the blood dripping from the lash used in lacerating the backs of black men and women. The brutish spirit of Preston Brooks, of South Carolina, that master of ruffianism, that hero of cowards who, in his fury, attempted to murder Charles Sumner, at Washington, who instead of being execrated for his brutality became the hero of his section and was honored for his fiendishness, especially when practiced upon such helpless people as colored men and women. It is this self-same spirit which is abroad in the land to-day. Our only hope is in the fact that the press owned and controlled, by colored gentlemen of color, like yourself and others, must speak out, speaking in no uncertain sound, keeping up a constant agitation until the humane sentiment of all the enlightened section of the land shall be thoroughly aroused and brought to see the awful disgrace with which the nation is confronted. Yes, until a spirit of exterminating all such desperadoes similar to the hyena who dared to lay his hands upon the personal effects of Mrs. Lillian Fox, thus insulting and outraging the feeling of one who was fit to be his queen and he her suuject. Alas! alas! is there no hope? I pause. Yes, I am led to believe that amid thankfulness of the gloom there is a gleam of light.

Yes, there is a class of undemoralized white men and women in the South. To these this infamous tragedy and others of a kindred nature is a sincere regret. This class is watching with anxious dread every step of the avenger whose retributed justice must sooner or later make its appearance for the purpose of avenging the blood of the innocent among the daughters of his people; the blood of whom cries with vengeance from the ground. Our women must be protected and defended, especially that class whose lives and conduct reflects the genuine essence of a noble womanhood, regardless of all consequences. Fathers, sons, brothers, husbands the women of our race must be protected and I repeat no fouler crime stands chronicled in these latter days. It is a curse and supremely infamous, it is most cowardly, most cruel. How long! how long! will it be before divine justice will unchain on earth some master minds above the vicious and vulgar, with cords in hands to drive from among us this hydro-headed colorphobia monster, and as they go cry aloud manhood in man and brotherhood in God.

Booker T. Washington Lectures.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Special.

Mrs. Emma Ford of Grand Rapids, W. C. T. U. organized for the colored people a Haviland Union of twenty members, sunday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Fannie White, W. Ranson street. The following are the names of the officers elected: Mrs. Lula Hedgbeth, president; Mrs. Fannie White, vice president; Miss Savonia Lewis, recording secretary; Miss Lena Roberts, corresponding secretary; Miss Della Stewart, treasurer. Much interest is being manifested in revival meetings which are in progress at the M. E. church conducted by Rev. J. A. Fanier, pastor assisted by Wm. Simpson of Cassoplis and Mrs. M. J. Bell of Columbus, O. Mrs. Ida Liggins gave a party Monday evening at the home of her brother, Sylvester Phillips, cards and dancing were enjoyed.

Mrs Della Stewart who has been quite sick for the past week is now convalescent. Miss Lena Z. Roberts who has been enjoying a four weeks vacation, has returned to her work with Henderson-Ames and company. Miss Helen Lewis of Battle Creek, is in the city the guest of her sister, Miss Savonia Lewis. Mrs. Robert Weaver who is very sick with pneumonia is reported no better. Booker T. Washington, founder of the Tuskegee Industrial school at Tuskegee, Ala., addressed a large and attentive audience at the Congregational church Wednesday evening. His subject being, "The Southern Negro Problem" and his plan to help solve it. Mrs O. H. Stafford who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Wemborn of Niles, has returned to her home. The ladies of the M. E, church, gave a dinner Jan 27th in honor of the eighth birthday of their pastor, J. A. Fairler.

Young People's Reading Society.

Clarendon, Ark., Special.

We are sorry to note the death of Mr. and Mrs Cassel's child. Holly Grove, our sister town, at this writing has eleven cases of smallpox. Our Sunday school is improving every Sunday; there is a large attendance. We would be glad to have the young men come out to Sunday school. The young people organized the Young People's Union Reading society on the 19th, ult. They enrolled nineteen members and elected the following officers: T. L. Sanders, president; Miss Lula Hall, secretary. This meeting is opened every Sunday evening at 3:30 p. m. at the A. M. E. church. Owing to the excitement of smallpox, Rev. A. C. Johnson failed to fill his appointment. Miss Reeves was in the city Saturday shoping. Owing to the quarantine, the Mite and Willing Workers had to postpone their entertainment. Jas. Davis has been on the sick list, but at this writing is improved. Dr. Turner, of Pine Bluff, passed through the city enroute to Helena last week. Miss Woodruff, of Pine Bluff, spent last week in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. Sharp. H. C. Ellison and A. Burrel have a contract for building a dwelling in the country for H. B. Batiman. The young people had quite a nice time Monday night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Smith, for the benefit of Miss Woodruff. The K. of H. and the Old Fellows have bought a lot on Main street, near the business part of town, and will build soon. Rev. A. C. Johnson was in Pine Bluff this week.

Surprised Rev. and Mrs. Viney.

Tacoma, Wash., Special.

On Thursday evening, the 23d, ult., a number of friends, amid rain and sleet, wended their way to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Monroe, corner of I and Twelfth streets, preparatory to a storm surprise party on Rev. and Mrs. Viney, of the A. M. E. church. The affair was arranged by Mrs. F. F. Keeble and Mrs. H. J. Asberry, assisted by others. At 9 o'clock the party repaired to the parsonage at Fourteenth and G streets with baskets and arms full of all varieties of provisions, to the utter, though agreeable surprise of Rev. and Mrs. Viney. After an exchange of greetings, Rev. and Mrs. Viney expressed their thanks and gratitude, concluding with an invocation. The following are the names of the donors: Messrs. Montgomery, Sledge, Smith, Lowhorn, Hill, Jones, A. O. Brown Grocery Co., McDean and McMillan, American Importing Tea Co., McDonald, Bay City market, Mesdames Carpenter, Mason, Miller, Hall, Mitchell, Edson, Chase, Monroe, Anderson, Dishmore, Sledge, Shepherd, Saunders, Keeble, Asberry, Misses Buttler, Walker, Pierce, Morrow, Williams and Devine.

A Welcome Visitor.

HOMER, LA., Jan. 24 1896.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—Please find enclosed postal order for $1 for renewal of my subscription to The Freeman. It is a welcome visitor to my home; it makes its arrival in this town every Saturday night, and I am at the post-office awaiting its arrival as regular as it comes to get news from all over our country. Others may let their name die on the subscription list, but never will mine. Yours respectfully,

C. W. BATES.

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A large size Douglass portrait free.

The Professor Talks to His Class.

Dr. Liebman, Professor of Pathological Anatomy, asked his class of several hundred young men how many of them had catarrh. Over two-thirds raised their hands and the Professor said, "It is evident that among the people a very much larger proportion will be afflicted. In your practice you will find men, women and children who have either a simple catarrh from a slight cold in the head, or with the mucous passages inflamed with running sores, or with the passages of the head entirely eaten away and the disease extending to the throat, and still others where the disease has reached the acute form, making breathing almost impossible. In my daily practice I prescribe a salve made in Dayton, O., knows as Pretzinger's Catarrh Balm, that is not a secret patent medicine, but which carries large quantities of camphors, which act directly on the passages of the head, giving instant relief. This Balm can be prescribed with every confidence."

A small sample will be sent by Pretzinger Bros., Chemists, Dayton, Ohio, on receipt of a 2 cent stamp.

NEWS FROM THE QUEEN CITY.

Prof. Mann Addresses the Literary Society—Walnut Hill Notes.

Cincinnati, O., Special.

Rev. H. D. Prowd assisted by Rev. J. C. Taylor of Springfield, is having wonderful success in their revival service. Rev. Taylor is attracting widespread attention as the "Sweet Singer of Israel." The quarterly meeting held at Allen Temple by Rev. Chas. Bundy P. E. last Sunday created unusual enthusiasm among the members of that denomination. The revival services which were started this week will be conducted by Mrs. Amanda Smith, an evangelist of much reputation and a close logical reasoner. The Fire Commissioner referred the petition, asking for the establishment of a colored fire company, to a committee of the whole, which means death to that movement unless the citizens take more active interest in the measure. Prof. John E. Main of Indiana who was recently appointed to a professorship in the Tuskegee Normal Institute by Prof. Booker T. Washington, addressed the Ninth street literary society last Monday night. Prof. A. A. King of the public schools, conducted a unique spelling match. George Bullock, who has been confined to his bed for some time is no better. Prof. Abraham Cassady is convalescent. Ex-Policeman Wright is at the point of death. Rev. H. H Hatcher of Louisville was in the city last Sunday The Freeman's headquarters at 929 Mound street is truly a literary rendezvous. Persons wishing to subscribe or leave news for The Freeman should do so by calling at this address for the correspondent, E. D. Nickens. Rev. R. Campbell pastor of St. Paul Baptist church, College Hill, preached his first sermon in his new church Jan. 19th. The reverend is a good worker. Last Sunday H. B. Brooks was elected superintendent of the Sunday school of said church.

WALNUT HILL NOTES.

The Superba Social held their weekly meeting at the residence of Mr. Isaac Troys. The by-laws were formed and new resolutions adopted. There was presented Mr. and Mrs. David Price a bright bouncing boy; they are both doing well. The friends of Mrs. Harry Fisher will be sorry to learn that she is confined to her bed with the measles. The following pastors are holding revivals at their churches: Rev. Tolbert, Brown's Chapel; Rev. R. D. Phillips, First Baptist; Rev. Wilson, Bethel Baptist; Rev. J. H. Payne, Mt. Zion; they all have a great many members and converts. Miss Ada Anderson, one of the mourners of Mt. Zion M. E. church went into a trance Saturday evening Jan. 18th, and was taken care of by the brethren and sisters, and lay in a trance until the following Sunday.

A Life Size Portrait Free.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

I see in your paper of the 11 inst that I can obtain of you a beautiful life size crayon portrait 16x20 and a twelve months subscription to the Freeman for $2.18 cents which I think is a good offer. I send you the $2.18 and a picture of my mother that I am so anxious to have enlarged. I would like to have the necktie taken off, and a very little white about the neck, is all the changes I desire to have, oblige

Yours respectfully,
MRS. C. G. JACKSON,
Barton, Alabama.

CHATTANOOGA'S WEEKLY BUDGET

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His step was quick and light, and all his movements precise and indicative of character. As he marched at the head of the band pointing out, by his staff, the direction of the march, and illustrated by the co-mingling of hauteur and lightness in his bearing the bright side of military life the transient observer could see only the pomp pageantry that seemed to float around him. But men who looked more closely could see that he was not only a drum major, but a soldier; and that he was playing his part in his present position to the best of his ability, and that he would do the same wherever placed.

He had not always been a drum-major, sporting a gaudy coat and shako, but of the quarter of a century spent in the country's service, fifteen years had been passed in the saddle, in the hard campaigns of the ninth and tenth cavalry, the hardest passed through by any of our troops since the war. He had passed days and nights in hard scouting over the desolate plains of Texas, Colorado, Arizona and New Mexico, and had been three times wounded in Indian fights, once having been shot through the body, the bullet entering just below the breast bone and coming out the side, just above the tenth rib He had served as courier, when everything depended upon the speed and bottom of his horse; had run the gauntlet of Indian persuers, hardly escaping with his life. Seated in my quarters he was prevailed upon to give me a few short stories for publication relating to the last series of our Indian wars. Taking them from his lips I now offer this series of stories to the young readers of our country, hoping that they may prove as entertaining to them as they were to me when related by the drum-major.

HOW LIEUTENANT SMITH LOST HIS LIFE.

I was born in New Orleans, and enlisted in the United States Army as music boy, in 1872, being at that time only eleven years of age. I was assigned to the Ninth Cavalry as trumpeter, and remained with that regiment ten years, spent five years in the Tenth Cavalry, five years in the Twenty-fourth Infantry, and afterwards re-enlisted for another five years in the Tenth Cavalry, from which regiment I was transferred by request, to where I now am. In 1881, during the campaign against hostile Indians near the Mexican line, Lieutenant Smith, with forty-six mounted men, being parts of two troops of the Ninth Cavalry, was ordered by Colonel Hatch from Fort Coming to Lake Valley. We made the march in the night, arriving at Lake Valley soon after daylight on the 18th of July. Soon after arriving in camp, a boy rushed in, crying, saying the Indians were killing his mother. We learned from him that his mother was alone in a house not far away, and that the Indians had attacked the house. As soon as possible we saddled up and were after them. When we came within sight of the house, we saw several around the building, tearing up clothing and making havoc generally. They had not discovered us, and we were moving carefully around so that we could fire on them without endangering anyone that might be in the house. At length three Indians moved out of the range of the house, and we fired; and made the charge. The three Indians were killed, and the rest that were in and around the house fled to the woods.

On coming to the house and entering, we found the woman almost nude and entirely speechless, lying on the floor. We raised her up and in a very little while she came to, and we took her to the camp where her boy was.

During the day a party of citizens, said to have been 57 in number, under a man named Daly, a wealthy miner, tendered their services to go with us after the Indians. They were so full of fight, and talked so much about fighting Indians, that Lieutenant Smith soon regarded them as veritable wild-cats, he having just come out from the East, he knew partically nothing about fighting Indians, and very little about soldiers. A plan was agreed upon, which was in substance to take seventeen soldiers and this body of citizens, and start out about midnight, follow up the Indians and surprise them in the early morning, and kill or capture them all. When the Lieutenant talked to me of the plan I asked, "Why not take the whole command?" as I thought it folly to go with so few men. He replied: "Because we have this strong body of citizens who know all about the country, and all about fighting Indians in their own style. More men will just be in the way. Besides, one of these citizens is worth ten soldiers in an affair like this. Look at the experience they have had. I became quite angry and replied: "You mean one soldier is worth ten citizens," and spoke in such a way, that the Lieutenant threatened me with arrest, and I was oblidged to hush, although I felt that some of us were going to our death. At eleven o'clock on the night of the 18th of July 1881, we were up; the seventeen who were to go, made coffee and soon started out. We marched to Daly's house and halted there until he came out. Bidding good-bye, to his household he mounted his horse, apparantly to take command of the body of citizens; but as a matter of fact the citizens were under the command of no one. We moved onward to our fate; Daly and the Lieutenant riding ahead, side by side, conversing as they went along. The thought between them was surprise the indians, kill or capture them and get back to the camp early in the day.

As day began to break we came upon a cabin that had been occupied by settlers, from which the inmates had fled the day before. Here we found the remains of two cows and two calves, that had been killed and eaten; and in the house were found two horses, still alive, but horribly mutilated. Their tails were cut off, their eyes scooped out, their lips cut off, and great holes cut in their sides. At this sight, many citizens stopped to look, to talk, to exchange chews of tobacco, to tighten saddle girths and to drop away from the party. Going on further, we saw another horse similarly maimed, standing by the roadside. Here the citizens made another halt and more of them slipped away.

Daylight was now well advanced, looking ahead of us we saw a "world of Indians," breaking their camps and moving away. They had discovered us and it was now plain that there would be no surprise on their side. They were getting away in a hurry; but they had not neglected to size us up, and had their plans already made. They were moving right into Garvilan Canon. Sergeant Wood, of B. Troop, with three men, rode ahead to reconnoitre, keeping well up the hills, and soon returned and reported that the indians were preparing to make a fight; and that their position was too strong for the force we had. The citizen force by this time had about all melted away. They knew too much about Indian warfare, to thrust themselves in such a trap. They were not going right into death with their eyes wide open when they were under no obligations to do so. But we, soldiers, like so many idiots, moved right on to the very spot where the indians wished us to go. The Lieutenant had but one idea, and that was to "catch the indians" and if possible, make himself a hero.

The men, however, kept a sharp lookout, and as they were obliged to move along slowly, they all dismounted, and were leading their horses, when suddenly from the hills alongside and above usr bang! bang! bang! came the rifle shots. Lieutenant Smith was hit in the first fire and fell from his horse. He did not seem badly hurt, however, and with assistance, remounted. I urged him while he was on the ground not to try to remount; but to let his horse go and lie down and fight for his life. I, myself, was lying flat on the ground, protecting myself from shots as best I could. I urged him to do the same. But he, having gained his horse, dashed off, and that is the last I ever saw of him alive.

When the fight actually commenced, only two men of all that citizen force remained. Daly who was killed in the fight, and another man who broke away early and carried the news of our situation to the camp. Thus panned up, we kept ourselves out of sight as much as possible, and kept up the fight. Sargeant Wood, of B. troop being in command. We used our ammunition sparingly, nevertheless, when Sargeant Anderson arrived, bringing up the rest of the command that had so unwisely been left at Lake Valley, the highest number of cartridges that any one of the party had, was four. I had but two, and these I was saving for the last emergency. When Sargeant Anderson came in with a yell and volley, we were a glad set of men, I assure you. The indians soon scampered, and our little force was gathered up. Of the seventeen men who had followed the Lieutenant into the canon, three were killed outright, and five badly wounded; and the nine who were remaining able to fight, were about out of ammunition; so that had we been left but a little longer, we would have been killed.

The fight now over, we searched for our dead and wounded, and placing the dead on pack horses, and the wound- on the horses of well men, who were dismounted for that purpose. The whole command moved upon the trail of the fleeing indians, toward the Rio Membres, from which point the dead and wounded were sent to Fort Bayard. When the body of Lieutenant Smith was found, it was stripped, the upper lip, which had been ornimented with a large mustache, cut off, and the body itself, riddled with bullets. He must have received thirty or forty shots. Daly's body was in about the same state".

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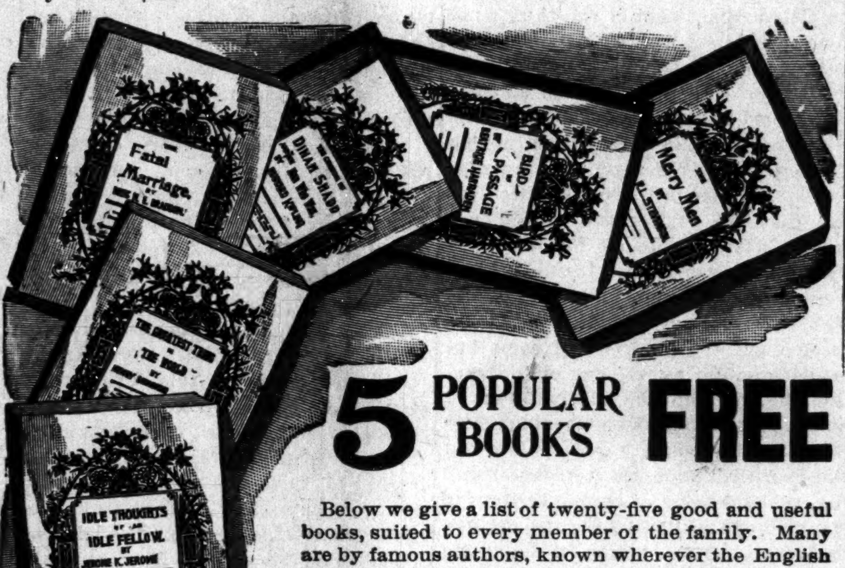
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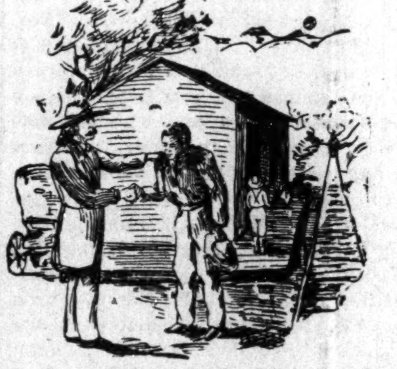

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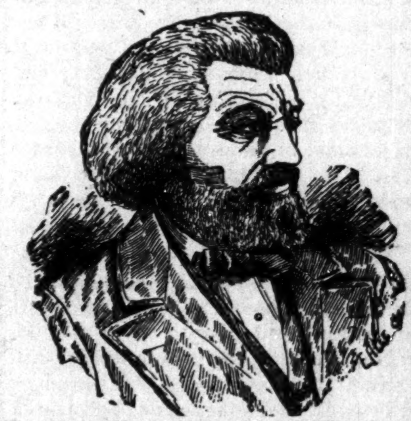

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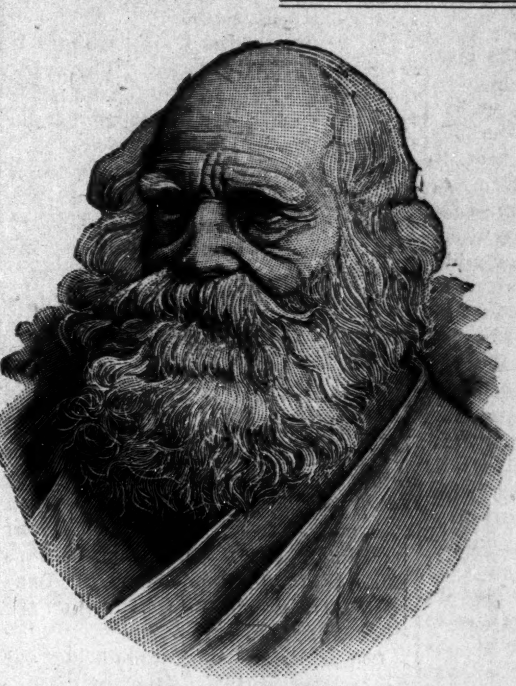

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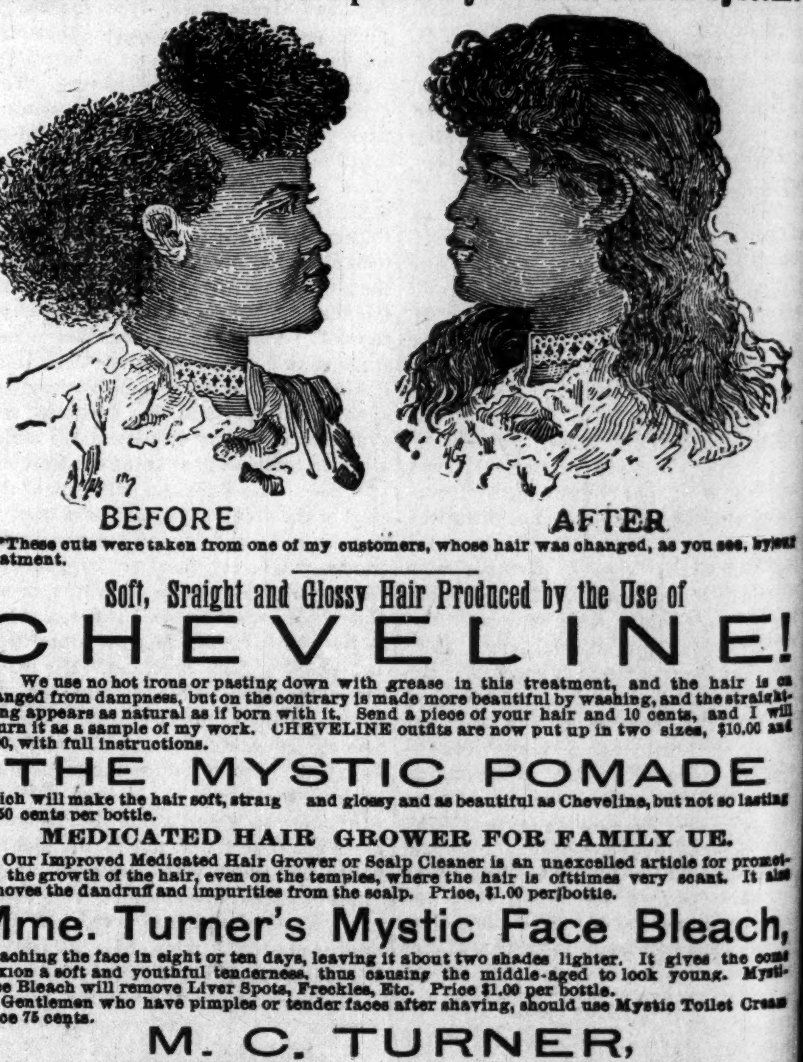

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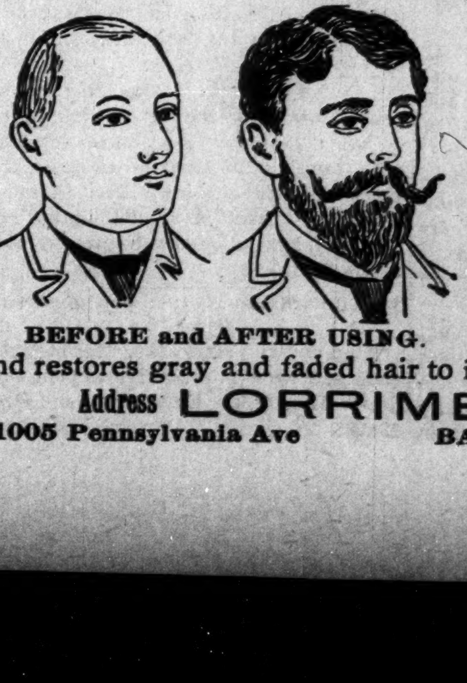

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Recognizing that your paper is largely read throughout the United States and that it is particularly read by ministers of the A. M E. church, I wish to be allowed space in your always interesting columns for the expresson of a few thoughts relative to the ensuing General Conference. I see through your paper a great deal from time to time, about this all important subject and to say the least your paper has been of great service to the people when it came out containing letters, filled with rich ideas on the needs of this and that thing, and thus showing what the people were thinking and at the same time putting the thoughtless to thinking. Now, I wish to advance a thought that might be of interest to the delegates and members of the next General Conference. We are paying a business manager and an editor about $3,000 per year to get out our Connectional paper, we are paying nearly $1,500.00 a year to Dr. Coppin to publish The Review once every three months or four times a year. Besides doing this we have to subscribe for these, think of it $4,000 and more goes—yes, there is the Southern Christian Recorder, (a dead issue) which we must pay an editor about $1,350 each year to publish and must subscribe for the same, all of which amounts to more than $5,000 a year. Are we to continue in this rut? It would certainly be a crime on our part to allow this state of affairs to go longer unattacked and to abuse or attack such means to invite a fight to the finish. But who cares for that right must live let come what may.

I am in favor of one editor of the Review and Christian Recorder, and one business manager of these publications. This can be done by combining the two. Then I am in favor of placing some one or more of our laymen in responsible positions in our general church. It is the lay members who make up the church, why not the laymen be represented by one of their number on the general office roll. I believe if this is done the church will be blessed with new zeal and blood. Let the next General Conference combine this publication elect a shrewd and honest layman as business manager and elect some one experienced as editor. We don't need a man as manager who has simply made a success at some grocery store, nor do we need an editor who has simply made a success as pastor of some church or district. We want experienced newspaper men, men who have made a success at journalism to manage such concerns. We need able and discreet writers, and good critics at the head of the editorial department. Now who shall we have? This I don't know, but suppose we would take a man like G. C. Henderson, the business manager of the Florida Christian Recorder Publishing Company, editor and proprietor of the Winter Park Advocate. What would be the result was such a man elected manager of our printing establishment? As an answer, I would say. I am satisfied he would put the business on a paying basis and within four years the church would be the saver of $8,000 or $10,000. Mr. Henderson is a fine Christian gentleman and an all-round newspaper manager. He started the Winter Park Advocate with $10, paying for the press and outfit he used within three years, besides paying three printers. It was he who caused the company to be organized which publishes one of the largest and best Negro journals in the South, The Florida Christian Recorder, and at its first meeting he was elected business manager and has filled that position ever since, Mr. Henderson is an aggressive African Methodist, an humble member, a hard worker and a liberal contributor to its churches and schools. He is a delegate to the next General Conference and will no doubt be felt at Wilmington when that meeting convenes. But without proper legislation the thing must continue as it is—that is a useless expenditure of money. Take the Southern Christian Recorder, a paper costing the connection about $5,400 per quardrenium. What good is this paper to the connection? We have no plant on which to publish this paper, and if it is gotten out the amount must necessarily go to some other plant. I am in favor of doing away with this paper and if we must have a paper in the South, which we ought to have, let the connection, put say $600 or $700 in the Florida Christian Recorder each year, and put the same amount in some paper in the West.

Judging from what has already been done by the Florida Christian Recorder and certain papers in the West, I am satisfied they would take up the cause of the church and do some good advertising for us. Brethen, let us study economy as well as persons for big positions; let us elevate at least one layman, and pay some paper in the West $600 and put $600 in the Florida Christian Recorder, and I am sure the grand old church will be safe. I am yours for the church and for more economy.

R. S. QUARTERMAN,
Orlando, Fla.

Booker T. Washington to Lecture.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Special.

Mrs. Effie May Vaughn is quite sick with pleurisy. The colored people here are lively. The secret societies are in a prosperous condition. There is soon to be a masquerade ball given at the Turnivine hall which is expected to be a grand affair. Rev. Jas. A. Ferrier, pastor of the A. M. E. church of this city, has returned home from a visit to Atlanta, Ga. Prof. Booker T. Washington is booked to lecture at the First Congregational church of this city. Henderson Ames & Co., third largest regalia factory in the United States, is soon to send out a special catalogue and price list of goods for the Odd Fellows. They anticipate a display of goods at the Biennial grand session. The Indianapolis Freeman is the best colored paper I ever read. It contains more reading matter and doing among the colored people in enterprises and education than any other journal in this broad land.

Personal Notes.

Clarinda, Ia., Special.

Frank Sanders left for his home in La Plata, Mo., last week. Thomas Johnson was back to get work from the poultry house, but failed. J. A. Ortho is overhauling and repairing his grocery. Chas. Greenly has returned to his home at Hunston, Ia.

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But sweet are the laurels entwining thy name;
And they who interpret the wreaths of thy glory
Shall covet the praises that garland thy fame.

The quill that the record historic is writing,
The pages that annals the doings of Time,
Will proclaim to the future the foe ye were fighting;
In rymthical prose, in eulogic rhyme.

The children of years that the present is seeking
Bathing in freedom thy martyrdom shed
Shall never forget thee; of thee ever be speaking
Before whom oppression and tyranny fled.

Great is thy name! Who can dispute it,
or point to a blurr thy career that stains?
It is grand! It is bold! dwells none to refute it.
From the width of the shores to the breadth of the main.

The vales of Domingo; The mountains of Hayti,
Thy sons and thy daughters forever are free;
The royal bequest which thou gave with a sigh
They guard and protect; and they emulate Thee.

The dungeons of thraldom; The prisons of Slav'ry,
Those vipers—the serpents who men would enthrall—;
The deeds of thy valor, thy courage, thy brav'ry
Hath conquered their power—compell'd them to fall.

Like an evergreen vine, like a tree ever vernal
Grandeur immortal blooms over thy bier;
A brow for her crown—Freedom eternal
Sought for a king and elected thee heir.

When the tale of thy life zephyrs are lisp'ring
Tuned to the strains of sweet music lays,
The voice of the winds are thy eulogies whisp'ring;
All nature the sonnets melodious sways.

Sacred the spot where eternal is sleeping
The dust of the hero who once was a slave;
The dews of the dawn o'er thy casket is weeping,
While the voices of song chants a dirge to the brave.

Oh, language is faulty! The tongue is bewildered,
Thro' the forest of words it seeketh to sing;
Strives the pen to inscribe thy praise, but is hindered—
Like a bird, flees the import of words upon wing.

Stronger the links thine aims were achieving
Than the links of the chain by which ye were bound;
When wondered the world, what thy valor was't weaving,
The flag of a black republic was found.
The sword of courage; and the gavel of Freedom
Coulds't never be wrenched from the grasp of thy hand,
And the volumes of Time wrote of a new kingdom
Where Liberty's waters could flow 'pon the strand.

Shackles and fetters are shivered to atoms,
Bondage no more curse the home of thy birth;
And the winters, the summers, the springs and the autumns
Visit thy kindred unhampered, sit in peace at their hearth.

Good deeds must be done; and those that are coming
Shall equal in merit the deeds of the past;
When the judge of them all shall their value be suming,
Thy deeds with them all shall be equally cast.

When the Goddess of Freedom lay robed in a shroud,
When the battle for right cease her sons to endure,
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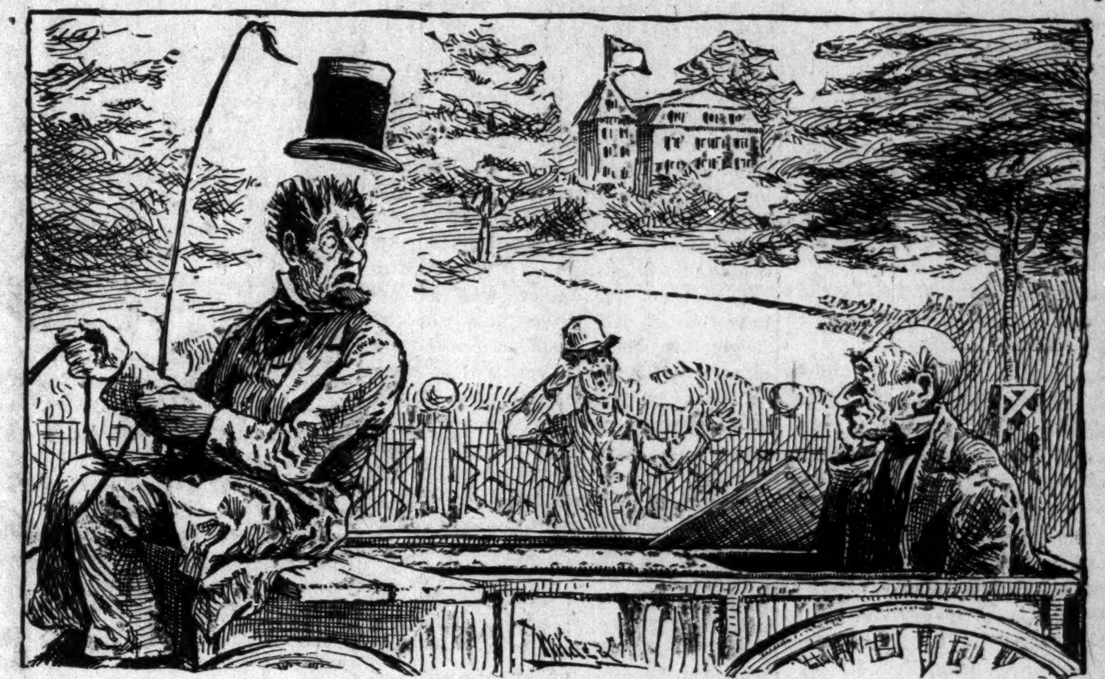
A few days after this, Josiah Allen came in, and sez he, "The everlastin' spring is the one for me, Samantha! I believe it will keep me alive for hundreds and hundreds of years." Sez I, "I don't believe that, Josiah Allen."

"Wall, it is so, whether you believe it or not. Why, I see a feller jest now who sez he don't believe anybody would ever die at all, if they kep' themselves kinder wet through all the time with this water."

"Oh, shaw!" sez I. (I seldom say shaw, but this seemed to me a time for shawin'.)

But Josiah kep' on, for he wus fearfully excited. Sez he, "Why, the fellow said, there wuz a old man who lived right by the side of this spring, and felt the effects of it inside and out all the time, it wuz so healthy there. Why the old man kep' on a livin', and a livin', till he got to be a hundred. And he wuz kinder lazy naturally and he got tired of livin'. He said he wuz tired of gettin' up mornin's and dressin' of him, tired of pullin' on his boots and drawin' on his trowses, and he told his grandson Sam to take him up to Troy and let him die.



"Wall, Sam took him up to Troy, and he died right away, almost. And Sam bein' a good hearted chap, thought it would please the old man to be buried down by the spring, that healthy spot. So he took him back there in a wagon he borrowed. And when he got clost to the spring, Sam heard a sithe, and he looked back, and there the old gentleman wuz a settin' up a leanin' his head on his elbo, and he sez, in a sort of a sad way, not mad, but melancholly, '**You hadn't ort to done it, Sam. You hadn't ort to. I'm in now for another hundred years.**'"

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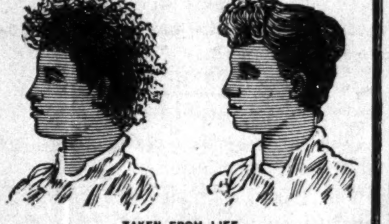

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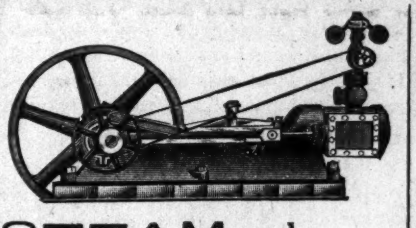

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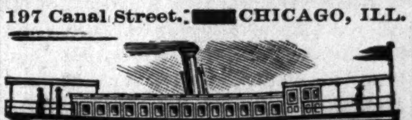

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Mrs. Remus Moore is improving slowly.

—Grant H. Clay, dentist, 95 North Delaware street.

Miss Nettie Maud Christy is still in a critical condition.

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Miss Emma Moss of Cincinnati returned home Wednesday.

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Mrs. Ophelia Stewart of Chicago is visiting her sister, Mrs. Tom Stewart.

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The Perchesia Club was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Wells last Monday evening.

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William Christy was elected president of the John A. Logan Republican Club last Monday night.

Allen Wooten formerly of this city, but now of Pittsburg, Pa., has returned for a short sojourn in the city.

You will miss a treat if you fail to hear Miss Nahar at Blackford street church Tuesday evening, Feb. 4th.

Chas. Turner severely hacked Wm. Lee with his "trusty blade" last Sunday night. A woman was the cause.

Mrs. Belle Wilson of Duluth, Minn., who has been visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. Ida J. Scott, returned home Friday.

Miss Ednorah Nahar will appear at Blackford street church Feb. 4th. She will be assisted by the best local talent

Robt. Finn has opened a restaurant and lunch counter at 66 Indiana avenue, and would be pleased to meet his friends.

Callie, the little daughter of Mrs. Morris at 125½ Susquehanna street, is convalescing from an attack of typhoid fever.

W. H. Johnson has returned from a week's visit to Owensboro, Ky., where he has been attending the bedside of his sick son.

Miss Edrorah Nahar, Boston's Peerless Elocutionist, will appear at Blackford street church Tuesday evening, February 4th.

The dancing school under the management of S. S. Furr is meeting with success. A large crowd was present last Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. McMurry, living near Brightwood are both lying very low with typhoid pneumonia, and in much need of assistance.

Mrs. Minnie Biffel-Whitlock is confined to her room at her home 399 Lafayette street Mrs. James H. Jackson is at her bedside.

Elder A. L. Murray is holding quite a successful revival at Allen Chapel. He is being assisted by Rev. J. H. Fisher of Knightstown.

The Acme Club met at the residence of Mrs. Baptist, Yandes street, Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. A very pleasant time was had by all present.

Mr. Miller has opened a first-class barber shop at 58 Indiana avenue. Under the management of Harvey Kennedy it is bound to be a success.

Rev. T. W. Henderson left Sunday afternoon for New York City where he assisted in a series of meetings during the week. He will return to-day.

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The Launfal Circle of Kings Daughters and Sons met at the residence of Miss Kate Mann Monday evening. They are preparing to present "The Lady of Lyons," in the near future.

Quarterly meeting at Allen Chapel next Sunday, February 2nd. The sacramental sermon will be preached by Rev. A. Wakefield pastor of Blackford street A. M. E. Z church. All pastors of the city and their congregations are cordially invited to commune with us.

Dudley Smith, whose parents reside at 10 Elizabeth street, died recently in the hospital at Memphis, Tenn. The services of Flanner and Buchanan the well-known undertakers were secured by the family who sent a representative to Memphis to bring the body home, but as smallpox was then in that city, the board of health refused to grant them a permit.

How foolish to take risks to use doubtful means when simple, sure and non-expensive means will accomplish the same results. Why burn the hair with acids and poison the scalp with drugs when the device manufactured by the Hair Straightener Co., 525 West North street, will remove the curl at once without the least trying. Read the advertisement in this issue, then get a Straightener.

"SWAMP ANGEL" ON THE WING.

"DEAR MINNIE:—If you will meet me at the —— church next Sunday night I'll take you home. When you go up to the collection table, look over on the east side of the church, and you'll see me, then we'll make a 'grand rush' for the door. JAMES."

The above note was picked up by "Swamp Angel" while sauntering down Indiana avenue yesterday, and since Minnie had been so careless as to lose this very important missive, and knowing full well the pangs of sorrow and heartaches it would occasion, we decided to publish it. Of course Minnie will go, and James, who did not have time to call for her, and who also forgets his pocket book, or else left his change in his other vest will be there to escort her home, and poor Minnie will have to pay the street car fare again. We have often wondered why the girls do not see the absurdity and impropriety of such follies. You are criticised—and justly too—for such an astounding breach of etiquette. Know you not that the fruit that hangs the highest on the branches is more sought after? If that young man is desirous of your company, invite him to call; should he show a disinclination to comply with your request, let him bear the fact in mind that "there are others."

"Stand aloof and men will admire you,
Draw too near and you loose your tone."

These lines are golden, and should be borne in mind. Men like dignity, refinement and modesty in woman, matters not how crude their own characters may be. Then too, the evil of filing up to the collection table "to be seen" is again manifested—a mild way of flirting. Pass the box.

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In the middle of his sermon last Sunday night, Rev. —— came to an abrupt standstill in order to give a few young Chesterfields time to rid the church of their presence that he might proceed with his discourse. Such actions on the part of these "young bloods" are very ungentlemanly, not to say sacreligious The church is too often taken for a play-house. We understand it is a place where we may, even if we are not christians, elevate our moral tendencies. If you have no respect for yourselves, respect the pastor and church enough by going elsewhere.

A Delightful Entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Williams gave a 6 o'clock dinner Wednesday evening, Jan. 22nd at their residence, 299 Bright street in honor of Mrs Belle Wilson of Duluth, Minn., who is the guest of Mrs. Ida Scott. The dinner was served in seven courses, and did credit to the charming hostess. At 8 o'clock the gentleman came and were served with refreshments. Games and conversation were indulged in several hours when all retired expressing themselves as well pleased. Those present were Mrs. Wilson of Duluth, Mrs. Ida Scott, Mrs. Lillie Smith, Mrs. Major Gardner, John Sweeney, Charles Humbles, Mr. and Mrs. J. Miller, Paris, Ky., Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Spears, and Mr and Mrs A. G. Clayborn.

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A VISIT TO ATLANTA, GA.

The First National Congress of Colored Women—The Negro Exhibit and Exhibtors—Observations Enroute—By Lillian Thomas-Fox, Indianapolis.

PART 2

Atlanta, commonly styled the "Gate City" of the South, is situated in the midst of the great Georgia plateau known as the Piedmont region, beginning at the southern extremity of the Apalachian chain of mountains. She is not only the capital of the empire state of the South, but the metropolis of the southeast, a sort of cross-roads for traffic to the North, South, the East and West and her growth since the fateful days in '64 when Sherman's army left her site in ashes and smouldering ruins, has been phenomenal. Our first glimpse of Atlanta, on the morning of Dec. 25th, was under conditions which would enhance the attractiveness of a city even less noted for beauty and bustle, as the exposition furore, and the merry holiday pomp lent an enthusiasm to the surroundings which the visitor however negative, could scarcely fail to imbibe. A mild, balmy sunshine served to fill the streets with gaily dressed pedestrians, all apparently in quest of a means to the end of a Merry Christmas. Bunting, evergreen and holly were visible on every hand, and played their part in beautifying the scene. Notwithstanding attractions awaited us on every hand, with only two days intervening the opening of the Women's Congress, we decided to spend that time at the Exposition and accordingly were soon wending our way to Piedmont Park where it was located. Our interest naturally centered on the Negro building, of which we had heard so much, and we lost no time in making our way to it on our arrival at the grounds. We had, through the courtesy of I. Garland Penn chief of the Negro department, several months prior to our going, been furnished with cut and descriptive catalogue of the same, and had supposed ourselves quite prepared for any or all evidences of the Negro's genius or progress, that might be in store for us, but beginning with the structure itself, and continuing throughout every detail within and without, we were most gratifyingly surprised.

The building was 140 feet in width and 270 feet in length; the height of the main structure 24 feet and a total height of 36 feet. The area of the main floor was 23,998 feet. The building was constructed of wood, the outer covering being of shingles, artistically shaped and painted in gray, white and green. Glass was pleantifully used, and it was said no building on the grounds was so well lighted. The long roof was surmounted with picturesque towers, the central being the highest, and arranged into an observatory which afforded a most excellent view of the entire grounds. Directly in front of this were two of lesser height and which rested against the main entrance and were ornamented.

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Corinthian Notes.

The new vestibule doors are quite an addition to the church.

The Lord's Supper will be administered to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The "Illustrated Sermons" will be resumed Sunday evening. The subject will be "Jacob and Laban."

Young Peoples' prayer meeting at 6:30 p. m. each Sunday are well attended. You are cordially invited.

Rev. H. H. Harris, pastor, preached an interesting sermon last Sunday morning to a large, appreciative audience. The pulpit was occupied Sunday evening by Rev. Bicknell of the First Baptist church (white) Rev. Harris having gone to Cincinnati to preach a sermon Sunday night.

A notable change in the services at Corinthian church since the coming of Rev. Harris is the congregational singing. Hymnals have been secured by a large number of the members, and now the singing is not confined to the choir, but the whole congregation join in singing praises to our Redeemer.

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